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#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Not all pipelines and other utilities are shown on the plans. It is the responsibility of the contractor to contact **Louisiana One Call at 1-800-272-3020** and the appropriate owner of any utility within the work area to assist him/her in the location of unmarked utilities prior to the start of his/her work.
- 2. When performing work in the vicinity of utilities and/or other structures the contractor shall take extreme care not to damage said utilities and/or structures. Any damages resulting from improper construction will be the responsibility of the contractor, and repairs of such damages will be made by the contractor at his/her expense. The contractor shall further restore at his/her own expense all injured property caused by any negligent act of omission or commission on his/ her part or on the part of his/her agent, including sidewalks, curbing, sodding, shrubs, pipes, conduits, sewers, buildings, fences, bridges, retaining walls, tanks, power lines, levees or any other building or private property to a condition as good as it was when he/she entered upon the right of way.
- 3. The convenience of the general public and of residents along the work shall be provided for in a reasonably adequate and satisfactory manner. Where existing roads are not available for use as detours, all traffic shall be permitted to pass through the work. In such cases the vehicles of the traveling public shall have precedence over the contractor's vehicles to the end that the traveling public's vehicles shall not be unduly delayed for the convenience of the contractor. The contractor shall provide and station competent flagmen whose sole duties shall consist of directing and controlling the movement of public traffic either through or around the work in order to prevent unnecessary delays to the traveling public. A flagman shall also be stationed wherever equipment, trucks, etc., enter or leave a thoroughfare from the construction area. The design and application of all signals, pavement markings, channelizing devices and warning sign shall conform the "Louisiana Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices", 1988 edition, as revised.
- 4. The contractor shall arrange his work so that no undue or prolonged blocking of business establishments or private residences will occur. Material and equipment stored on the right of way or project site shall be so placed and the work at all times shall be so conducted as to insure minimum danger and obstruction to the traveling public.
- 5. When transporting equipment, supplies and material to and from the construction site, the contractor shall take the most direct route when leaving a major thoroughfare.
- 6. Fire hydrants shall be accessible at all times to the Fire Department. No materials or other obstructions shall be placed closer to a fire hydrant than permitted by ordinances, rules or regulations or within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant, in the absence of such ordinances, rules or regulations.
- 7. Contractor holds harmless and indemnifies the landowners for any and all damages and personnel injuries suffered or caused as a result of contractors operations.
- 8. The Estimated Quantities shown on the drawings are based on quantities derived from preliminary survey data. Variations in these quantities may be possible when the work is actually performed. However, modification to the contract will not be made for work performed in excess of these estimated quantities except under the following conditions:
  - i. The variation must exceed 15% more than the estimated quantity or have a minimum contract value for the additional work in excess of \$500.00. (The contract value is to be determined by dividing the lump sum amount in the Bid Schedule by the total applicable estimated units as shown in the contract item tables of quantities.) If the variation exceeds 15% more than the estimated quantity or \$500.00, a price adjustment can be made for the amount exceeding 15% or \$500.00 more than the original estimated quantity.
  - ii. It shall be the contractor's responsibility to submit proof that the quantity in question exceeds the percentage and cost parameters in above Item i. Proof will consist of applicable survey data or other measurements made by a Registered Professional Engineer or Land Surveyor in accordance with recognized professional practice and standards of the surveying profession.

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- iii. The survey data or other measurements as applicable shall be presented to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) prior to any work on the contract item for which the quantity is questioned. One working day shall be provided to the NRCS to verify data prior to the beginning of work for this contract item.
- iv. A final survey or other measurements as applicable shall be made and presented to the NRCS after the work is completed, which will allow measurement for the quantity in question. If this survey data indicates justification for a contract modification within the parameters of above Item i, it shall be made in accordance with the contract terms and conditions.
- 9. All computations for excavation and fill items shall be computed to the neat lines and grades as shown on the drawings.
- 10. The contractor is advised that tidal fluctuations in this area will vary due to weather and daily tides. Historical tide data can be obtained from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or the U.S. Geological Survey. The contractor is responsible for taking the appropriate measures to ensure that tidal fluctuations do not interfere with the prosecution of the contract.
- 11. The contractor's navigation requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - a. All marine vessels shall follow the Inland Navigation Rules which are contained in the following Federal Laws or Regulation: International Navigational Rules Act of 1977 (Public Law 95-75, 91 Stat. 308, or 33 U.S.C. 1601-1608), and the Inland Navigation Rules Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-591, 94 Stat. 3415, 33 U.S.C. 2001-2038). These rules can be found on the Internet at http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/mwv/navrules/rotr\_online.htm. All marine vessels shall display the lights and day shapes required by Part C Lights and Shapes of the Inland Navigation Rules. The location, type, color, and size of the lights and day shape shall be in accordance with Annex I Positioning and Technical Details of Lights and Shapes. Any vessel engaged in dredging is considered a "Vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver" and shall display all the lights and shapes required in Rule 27: Vessel Not Under Control.
  - b. The contractor shall operate in compliance with pertinent U.S. Coast Guard regulations and shall conduct work in such a manner as to minimize any obstruction to navigation. If the Contractor's dredge or any other floating equipment obstructs any navigation, making navigation difficult or endangering the passage of vessels, said dredge or equipment shall be promptly moved on the approach of any vessel to the extent necessary to afford a practical passage. Upon completion of work, the contractor shall promptly remove the dredge and other floating equipment, as well as ranges, buoys, piles and any other marks or objects that are not permanent project features placed in the navigable water or on shore.
  - c. All vessels that are regulated by the United States Coast Guard (USCG) shall have current inspection and certifications issued by the USCG before commencing construction. A copy of the certification shall be posted in a public area on board the vessel.
  - d. All dredge and quarter boats not subject to USCG inspection and certification or not having a current American Bureau of Shipping (ABS) Classification shall be inspected in working mode annually by a marine surveyor accredited by the National Association of Marine Surveyors (NAMS) or the Society of Accredited Marine Surveyors (SAMS). The surveyor must have at least five years experience in commercial marine vessels and equipment. All other vessels shall be inspected before being placed in use and at least annually by a qualified person. The inspection shall be documented. A copy of the most recent inspection report shall be posted in a public area on board the vessel. A copy of the inspection shall be furnished to the COTR upon request. The inspection shall be appropriate for the intended use of the vessel. The inspection, as a minimum, shall evaluate the structural integrity of the vessel and compliance with the National Fire Protection Association code 302 Pleasure and Commercial Motor Craft.
  - e. Officers and crew shall be in possession of a current valid USCG license or a correctly endorsed document as required by the USCG, which shall be posted in a public area on board the vessel.

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## **Construction Specification 2—Clearing and Grubbing**

#### 1. Scope

The work consists of clearing and grubbing and disposal of trees, snags, logs, brush, stumps, shrubs, and rubbish from the designated areas.

#### 2. Protection of existing vegetation

Trees and other vegetation designated to remain undisturbed shall be protected from damage throughout the duration of the construction period. Any damages resulting from the contractor's operations or neglect shall be repaired by the contractor.

Earthfill, stockpiling of materials, vehicular parking, and excessive foot or vehicular traffic shall not be allowed within the drip line of vegetation designated to remain in place. Vegetation damaged by any of these or similar actions shall be replaced with viable vegetation of the same species, similar condition, and like size unless otherwise approved by the contracting officer.

Any cuts, skins, scrapes, or bruises to the bark of the vegetation shall be carefully trimmed and local nursery accepted procedures used to seal damaged bark.

Any limbs or branches 0.5 inch or larger in diameter that are broken, severed, or otherwise seriously damaged during construction shall be cut off at the base of the damaged limb or branch flush with the adjacent limb or tree trunk. All roots 1-inch or larger in diameter that are cut, broken, or otherwise severed during construction operations shall have the end smoothly cut perpendicular to the root. Roots exposed during excavation or other operations shall be covered with moist earth or backfilled as soon as possible to prevent the roots from drying out.

#### 3. Marking

The limits of the area(s) to be cleared and grubbed will be marked by stakes, flags, tree markings, or other suitable methods. Trees to be left standing and uninjured will be designated by special markings placed on the trunk about 6 feet above the ground surface.

#### 4. Clearing and grubbing

All trees not marked for preservation and all snags, logs, brush, stumps, shrubs, rubbish, and similar materials shall be cleared from within the limits of the designated areas. Unless otherwise specified, all stumps, roots, and root clusters that have a diameter of 1 inch or larger shall be grubbed out to a depth of at least 2 feet below subgrade for concrete structures and 1 foot below the ground surface at embankment sites and other designated areas.

#### 5. Disposal

All materials cleared and grubbed from the designated areas shall be disposed of at locations shown on the drawings or in a manner specified in section 7. The contractor is responsible for complying with all local rules and regulations and the payment of any and all fees that may result from disposal at locations away from the project site.

#### 6. Measurement and payment

**Method 1**—For items of work for which specific units prices are established in the contract, the cleared and grubbed area is measured to the nearest 0.1 acre. Payment for clearing and grubbing is made for the total area within the designated limits at the contract unit price. Such payment

will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, tools, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

Method 2—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, the length of the cleared and grubbed area is measured to the nearest full station (100 feet) along the line designated on the drawing or identified in the specifications. Payment for clearing and grubbing is made for the total length within the designated limits at the contract unit price. Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, tools, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**Method 3**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, each tree, stump, and snag having a diameter of 4 inches or larger and each log having a diameter of 4 inches or larger and a length of 10 feet are measured before removal. The size of each tree and snag is determined by measuring its trunk at breast height above the natural ground surface. The size of each log is determined by measuring the butt and by measuring its length from butt to tip. The size of each stump is measured at the top. Diameter is determined by dividing the measured circumference by 3.14.

Payment for clearing and grubbing of each tree, stump, and snag having a diameter of 4 inches or larger and each log having a diameter of 4 inches or larger and a length of 10 feet or larger is made at the contract unit price for its size designation as determined by the following schedule:

Measured diameter	Size designation	
(in)	(in)	
4 to 8	6	
8 to 12	10	
12 to 24	18	
24 to 36	30	
36 to 60	48	
Over 60	60	

The sum of such payments shall constitute full compensation for clearing and grubbing (including the clearing and grubbing of smaller trees, stumps, snags, logs, brush, shrubs, and roots), applicable permits and associated fees, and rubbish removal. Such payment shall constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, tools, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**Method 4**—For items of work for which specific lump sum prices are established in the contract, payment for clearing and grubbing is made at the contract lump sum price. Such payment shall constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, tools, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

*All Methods*—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment. Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule will be included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 7.

# 7. Items of work and construction details (See next page.)

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefore are:

#### a. Bid Item 2, Clearing and Grubbing

- (1) This item shall consist of clearing and grubbing the construction area as necessary to do the levee repair work as shown on the construction drawings and as called for by the Specifications.
- (2) All cleared materials and debris (trees, stumps, brush, broken concrete, and other foreign materials), above and below the ground surface, shall be removed from the repair site to the extent necessary to perform the work.
- (3) All cleared materials and debris shall be loaded and hauled to the nearest approved public landfill, that meets all State and Federal requirements.
- (4) Payment shall be by Method 4.

## **Construction Specification 3—Structure Removal**

#### 1. Scope

The work shall consist of the removal, salvage, and disposal of structures (including fences) from the designated areas.

#### 2. Marking

*Method 1*—Each structure or structure part to be removed will be marked with stakes, flags, paint, or other suitable method.

**Method 2**—The area boundaries from which structures must be removed will be marked using stakes, flags, paint, or other suitable method. Structures to remain undisturbed or to be salvaged will be designated by special markings.

#### 3. Removal

**Method 1**—All structures designated for removal in the contract shall be removed to the specified extent and depth.

**Method 2**—Within the areas so marked, all visible and buried structures identified shall be removed to the specified extent and depth.

## 4. Salvage

Structures or structure parts that are designated to be salvaged shall be carefully removed and neatly placed in the specified or approved storage location. Salvaged structures that are capable of being disassembled shall be dismantled into individual members or sections. Such structures shall be neatly and systematically match marked with paint before disassembly. All connectors and other parts shall be marked to indicate their proper location within the structure and shall be fastened to the appropriate structural member or packed in suitable containers.

Material from fences designated to be salvaged shall be placed outside the work area on the property on which the fence was originally located. Fence wire shall be rolled into uniform rolls of suitable size and neatly piled with other salvaged materials. Posts and rails shall be neatly stacked.

#### 5. Disposal of refuse materials

Refuse materials resulting from structure removal shall be disposed of in a manner and at locations specified in section 7 of this specification or in an acceptable manner and at locations approved by the contracting officer. Disposal by burning shall be in accordance with local rules and regulations.

#### 6. Measurement and payment

**Method 1**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established by the contract, payment for the removal of each structure unit, except fences, is made at the contract unit price. Fences removed or removed and salvaged are measured to the nearest linear foot. Payment for fence removal or removal and salvage is made at the contract unit prices for each type and size of fence.

Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, tools, applicable permits and associated fees for burning and disposal of refuse, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**Method 2**—For items of work for which specific lump sum prices are established by the contract, payment for structure removal is made at the contract lump sum price.

Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, tools, applicable permits and associated fees for burning and disposal of refuse, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**All Methods**—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment. Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed as a contract line item number in the bid schedule, is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 7 of this specification.

# 7. Items of work and construction details (See next page.)

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefore are:

#### a. Bid Item 3, Structure Removal

- (1) This item shall consist of removal and disposal of the existing steel sheetpile wall and associated pile cap as shown on the drawings.
- (2) The limits of the structure to be removed will be marked by the COTR by means of stakes, flags, painted markers or other suitable methods.
- (3) Salvaging of materials will not be required.
- (4) The removed steel material shall be hauled to the Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Parish Government Drainage Department, at 1860 Grand Caillou Road.
- (5) All other refuse material resulting from structure removal shall be loaded and hauled to the nearest approved public landfill, that meets all State and Federal requirements.
- (6) Payment shall be by Method 2.

## **Construction Specification 5—Pollution Control**

#### 1. Scope

The work consists of installing measures or performing work to control erosion and minimize the production of sediment and other pollutants to water and air from construction activities.

#### 2. Material

All material furnished shall meet the requirements of the material specifications listed in section 8 of this specification.

#### 3. Erosion and sediment control measures and works

The measures and works shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

**Staging of earthwork activities**—The excavation and moving of soil materials shall be scheduled to minimize the size of areas disturbed and unprotected from erosion for the shortest reasonable time.

**Seeding**—Seeding to protect disturbed areas shall occur as soon as reasonably possible following completion of that earthwork activity.

*Mulching*—Mulching to provide temporary protection of the soil surface from erosion.

**Diversions**—Diversions to divert water from work areas and to collect water from work areas for treatment and safe disposition. They are temporary and shall be removed and the area restored to its near original condition when the diversions are no longer required or when permanent measures are installed.

**Stream crossings**—Culverts or bridges where equipment must cross streams. They are temporary and shall be removed and the area restored to its near original condition when the crossings are no longer required or when permanent measures are installed.

**Sediment basins**—Sediment basins collect, settle, and eliminate sediment from eroding areas from impacting properties and streams below the construction site(s). These basins are temporary and shall be removed and the area restored to its original condition when they are no longer required or when permanent measures are installed.

**Sediment filters**—Straw bale filters or geotextile sediment fences trap sediment from areas of limited runoff. Sediment filters shall be properly anchored to prevent erosion under or around them. These filters are temporary and shall be removed and the area restored to its original condition when they are no longer required or when permanent measures are installed.

**Waterways**—Waterways for the safe disposal of runoff from fields, diversions, and other structures or measures. These works are temporary and shall be removed and the area restored to its original condition when they are no longer required or when permanent measures are installed.

Other—Additional protection measures as specified in section 8 of this specification or required

by Federal, State, or local government.

#### 4. Chemical pollution

The contractor shall provide watertight tanks or barrels or construct a sump sealed with plastic sheets to dispose of chemical pollutants, such as drained lubricating or transmission fluids, grease, soaps, concrete mixer washwater, or asphalt, produced as a by-product of the construction activities. At the completion of the construction work, sumps shall be removed and the area restored to its original condition as specified in section 8 of this specification. Sump removal shall be conducted without causing pollution.

Sanitary facilities, such as chemical toilets, or septic tanks shall not be located next to live streams, wells, or springs. They shall be located at a distance sufficient to prevent contamination of any water source. At the completion of construction activities, facilities shall be disposed of without causing pollution as specified in section 8 of this specification.

#### 5. Air pollution

The burning of brush or slash and the disposal of other materials shall adhere to state and local regulations.

Fire prevention measures shall be taken to prevent the start or spreading of wildfires that may result from project activities. Firebreaks or guards shall be constructed and maintained at locations shown on the drawings.

All public access or haul roads used by the contractor during construction of the project shall be sprinkled or otherwise treated to fully suppress dust. All dust control methods shall ensure safe construction operations at all times. If chemical dust suppressants are applied, the material shall be a commercially available product specifically designed for dust suppression and the application shall follow manufacturer's requirements and recommendations. A copy of the product data sheet and manufacturer's recommended application procedures shall be provided to the engineer 5 working days before the first application.

#### 6. Maintenance, removal, and restoration

All pollution control measures and temporary works shall be adequately maintained in a functional condition for the duration of the construction period. All temporary measures shall be removed and the site restored to near original condition.

#### 7. Measurement and payment

**Method 1**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, each item is measured to the nearest unit applicable. Payment for each item is made at the contract unit price for that item. For water or chemical suppressant items used for dust control for which items of work are established in section 8 of this specification, measurement for payment will not include water or chemical suppressants that are used inappropriately or excessive to need. Such payment will constitute full compensation for the completion of the work.

Method 2—For items of work for which lump sum prices are established in the contract, payment is made as the work proceeds and supported by invoices presented by the contractor that reflect actual costs. If the total of all progress payments is less than the lump sum contract price for this item, the balance remaining for this item will be included in the final contract payment. Payment of the lump sum contract price will constitute full compensation for completion of the

work.

**Method 3**—For items of work for which lump sum prices are established in the contract, payment will be prorated and provided in equal amounts on each monthly progress payment estimate. The number of months used for prorating shall be the number estimated to complete the work as outlined in the contractor's approved construction schedule. The final month's prorate amount will be provided with the final contract payment. Payment as described will constitute full compensation for completion of the work.

**All Methods**—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment. Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items, and the items to which they are made subsidiary, are identified in section 8 of this specification.

#### 8. Items of work and construction details

(See next page.)

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefor are:

#### a. Subsidiary Item, Pollution Control

- (1) This item shall consist of all work necessary to control erosion and sediment pollution, chemical pollution, water pollution and air pollution during the period of this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall perform the work in a manner that will reduce erosion, minimize sediments and other pollutants to the water and streams and create a minimum of air pollution consistent with standard construction operations.
- (3) The contractor shall perform work in such a manner that all Local, State and Federal regulations regarding pollution (i.e. air, water, etc.) are adhered to.
- (4) No separate payment will be made for this item. Compensation for this subsidiary item shall be included in <u>Bid Item 4</u>, <u>Piling and Bid Item 6</u>, <u>Earthfill</u>, to which it is associated.

## Construction Specification 6—Seeding, Sprigging, and Mulching

## 1. Scope

The work consists of preparing the area for treatment; furnishing and placing seed, sprigs, mulch, fertilizer, inoculant, lime, and other soil amendments; and anchoring mulch in designated areas as specified.

#### 2. Material

**Seed**—All seed shall conform to the current rules and regulations of the state where it is being used and shall be from the latest crop available. It shall meet or exceed the standard for purity and germination listed in section 7.

Seed shall be labeled in accordance with the state laws and the U.S. Department of Agriculture rules and regulations under the Federal Seed Act in effect on the date of invitations for bids. Bag tag figures are evidence of purity and germination. No seed will be accepted with a test date of more than 9 months before the delivery date to the site.

Seed that has become wet, moldy, or otherwise damaged in transit or storage will not be accepted. The percent of noxious weed seed allowable shall be as defined in the current State laws relating to agricultural seeds. Each type of seed shall be delivered in separate sealed containers and fully tagged unless exception is granted in writing by the contracting officer.

**Fertilizer**—Unless otherwise specified, the fertilizer shall be a commercial grade fertilizer. It shall meet the standard for grade and quality specified by State law. Where fertilizer is furnished from bulk storage, the contractor shall furnish a supplier's certification of analysis and weight. When required by the contract, a representative sample of the fertilizer shall be furnished to the contracting officer for chemical analysis.

*Inoculants*—The inoculant for treating legume seeds shall be a pure culture of nitrogen-fixing bacteria prepared specifically for the species and shall not be used later than the date indicated on the container or as otherwise specified. A mixing medium, as recommended by the manufacturer, shall be used to bond the inoculant to the seed. Two times the amount of the inoculant recommended by the manufacturer shall be used except four times the amount shall be used when seed is applied using a hydraulic seeder. Seed shall be sown within 24 hours of treatment and shall not remain in the hydraulic seeder longer than 4 hours.

**Lime and other soil amendments**—Lime shall consist of standard ground agriculture limestone, or approved equivalent. Standard ground agriculture limestone is defined as ground limestone meeting current requirements of the State Department of Agriculture. Other soil amendments shall meet quality criteria and application requirements specified in section 7.

*Mulch tackifiers*—Asphalt emulsion tackifiers shall conform to the requirements of ASTM D 977, Specification for Emulsified Asphalt. The emulsified asphalt may be rapid setting, medium setting, or slow setting. Nonasphaltic tackifiers required because of environmental considerations shall be as specified in section 7.

*Straw mulch material*—Straw mulch shall consist of wheat, barley, oat or rye straw, hay, grass cut from native grasses, or other plants as specified in section 7. The mulch material shall be air-

dry, reasonably light in color, and shall not be musty, moldy, caked, or otherwise of low quality. The use of mulch that contains noxious weeds is not permitted. The contractor shall provide a method satisfactory to the contracting officer for determining weight of mulch furnished.

Other mulch materials—Mulching materials, such as wood cellulose fiber mulch, mulch tackifiers, synthetic fiber mulch, netting, and mesh, are other mulching materials that may be required for specialized locations and conditions. These materials, when specified, must be accompanied by the manufacturer's recommendations for methods of application.

#### 3. Seeding mixtures, sod, sprigs, and dates of planting

The application rate per acre for seed mixtures, sprigs, or sod and date of seeding or planting shall be as shown on the plans or as specified in section 7.

#### 4. Seedbed preparation and treatment

Areas to be treated shall be dressed to a smooth, firm surface. On sites where equipment can operate on slopes safely, the seedbed shall be adequately loosened (4 to 6 inches deep) and smoothed. Depending on soil and moisture conditions, disking or cultipacking, or both, may be necessary to properly prepare a seedbed. Where equipment cannot operate safely, the seedbed shall be prepared by hand methods by scarifying to provide a roughened soil surface so that broadcast seed will remain in place.

If seeding is to be accomplished immediately following construction operations, seedbed preparation may not be required except on a compacted, polished, or freshly cut soil surface.

Rocks larger than 6 inches in diameter, trash, weeds, and other debris that will interfere with seeding or maintenance operations shall be removed or disposed of as specified in section 7.

Seedbed preparation shall be discontinued when soil moisture conditions are not suitable for the preparation of a satisfactory seedbed as determined by the contracting officer's technical representative (COTR).

#### 5. Seeding, sprigging, fertilizing, mulching, and stabilizing

All seeding or sprigging operations shall be performed in such a manner that the seed or sprigs are applied in the specified quantities uniformly in the designated areas. The method and rate of seed application shall be as specified in section 7. Unless otherwise specified, seeding or sprigging shall be accomplished within 2 days after final grading is completed and approved.

Fertilizer, lime, and other soil amendments shall be applied as specified in section 7. When specified, the fertilizer and soil amendments shall be thoroughly incorporated into the soil immediately following surface application.

The rate, amount, and kind of mulching or mesh shall be as specified in section 7. Mulches shall be applied uniformly to the designated areas. They shall be applied to areas seeded not later than 2 working days after seeding has been performed. Straw mulch material shall be stabilized within 24 hours of application using a mulch crimper or equivalent anchoring tool or by a suitable tackifier. When the mulch crimper or equivalent anchoring tool is used, it shall have straight blades and be the type manufactured expressly for and capable of firmly punching the mulch into the soil. Where the equipment can be safely operated, it shall be operated on the contour. Hand methods shall be used where equipment cannot safely operate to perform the work required.

The tackifier shall be applied uniformly over the mulch material at the specified rate, or it shall be injected into the mulch material as it is being applied. Mesh or netting stabilizing materials shall be applied smoothly, but loosely on the designated areas. The edges of these materials shall be buried or securely anchored using spikes or staples as specified in section 7.

The contractor shall maintain the mesh or netting areas until all work under the contract has been completed and accepted. Maintenance shall consist of the repair of areas damaged by water erosion, wind, fire, or other causes. Such areas shall be repaired to reestablish the intended condition and to the design lines and grades required by the contract. The areas shall be refertilized, reseeded, and remulched before the new application of the mesh or netting.

#### 6. Measurement and payment

**Method 1**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, each area treated is measured as specified in section 7 and the area calculated to the nearest 0.1 acre. Payment for treatment is made at the contract unit price for the designated treatment, which will constitute full compensation for completion of the work.

When specified as an item of work, mesh or netting is measured to the nearest square yard of surface area covered and accepted. Payment is made at the contract unit price and will constitute full compensation for completion of the work.

**Method 2**—For items of work for which specific lump sum prices are established in the contract, the quantity of work will not be measured for payment. Payment for this item is made at the contract lump sum price for the item and will constitute full compensation for the completion of the work.

**Method 3**—For items of work for which lump sum prices are established in the contract, payment is made as the work proceeds. Progress payments will be determined as specified in section 7. Payment of the lump sum contract price will constitute full compensation for completion of the work.

**All Methods**—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment. Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the item(s) to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 7.

#### 7. Items of work and construction details

(See next sheet)

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefor are:

#### Subsidiary Item, Seeding, Fertilization and Mulching

This item will consist of furnishing and applying seeds, fertilizer and mulch according to the following specifications:

#### a. Seeding

- (1) Seeding will be done on all bare areas such as channel slopes, berms, spoil placement areas, access routes and any other disturbed areas. Seed will not be applied to areas with perennial ponded water.
- (2) No seedbed preparation will be required if the construction equipment has produced a scarified surface and the seeding is done the day the areas to be seeded are worked. If the construction equipment has produced a slick surface, or seeding is not done the day the areas are worked, a seedbed will be prepared by scarifying the soil surface with a spike-tooth harrow or similar implement to a depth of one (1) inch. When more than one species of seed is required, each species shall be seeded separately. Seeds will be applied at the following rates:

<b>Seeding Period</b>	Species	Minimum % pure Live Seed	Pure Live Seed (lb./ac)
Mar 1 - Aug 31	Common Bermuda-grass (hulled)	83	45
Sept 1 - Feb 28	Common Bermuda- grass(unhulled) and	80	20
	Common Bermuda-grass (hulled) and	83	20
	Rye Grass	82	25

#### b. Fertilization

- (1) Fertilizer will be applied to all areas to be seeded.
- (2) Fertilizer will be a 1-1-1 ratio of N, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, and K<sub>2</sub>O, and will contain at least 13 lbs. of each per 100 lbs. of material.

Fertilizer rate	(14 lbs. per 1000 sq ft)
(13-13-13 basis)	or (600 lbs. per acre)

- (3) One application of fertilizer will be applied at the time of planting as directed by the COTR.
- c. Mulching will not be required in this contract.
- d. No separate payment will be made for this item. Compensation for this subsidiary item shall be included in Bid Item 6, Earthfill.

# Construction Specification 8—Mobilization and Demobilization

#### 1. Scope

The work consists of the mobilization and demobilization of the contractor's forces and equipment necessary for performing the work required under the contract. It does not include mobilization and demobilization for specific items of work for which payment is provided elsewhere in the contract. Mobilization will not be considered as work in fulfilling the contract requirements for commencement of work.

#### 2. Equipment and material

Mobilization shall include all activities and associated costs for transportation of contractor's personnel, equipment, and operating supplies to the site; establishment of offices, buildings, and other necessary general facilities for the contractor's operations at the site; premiums paid for performance and payment bonds including coinsurance and reinsurance agreements as applicable; and other items specified in section 4 of this specification.

Demobilization shall include all activities and costs for transportation of personnel, equipment, and supplies not required or included in the contract from the site; including the disassembly, removal, and site cleanup of offices, buildings, and other facilities assembled on the site specifically for this contract.

This work includes mobilization and demobilization required by the contract at the time of award. If additional mobilization and demobilization activities and costs are required during the performance of the contract as a result of changed, deleted, or added items of work for which the contractor is entitled to an adjustment in contract price, compensation for such costs will be included in the price adjustment for the item or items of work changed or added.

#### 3. Payment

Payment will be made as the work proceeds, after presentation of paid invoices or documentation of direct costs by the contractor showing specific mobilization and demobilization costs and supporting evidence of the charges of suppliers, subcontractors, and others. When the total of such payments is less than the lump sum contract price, the balance remaining will be included in the final contract payment. Payment of the lump sum contract price for mobilization and demobilization will constitute full compensation for completion of the work.

Payment will not be made under this item for the purchase costs of materials having a residual value, the purchase costs of materials to be incorporated in the project, or the purchase costs of operating supplies.

#### 4. Items of work and construction details

(See next page.)

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefor are:

#### a. Bid Item 1, Mobilization and Demobilization

- (1) This item shall consist of mobilizing and demobilizing personnel and equipment in preparation to perform the work within the scope of this contract.
- (2) This item shall not include transportation of personnel, equipment and operating supplies between and within the work limit areas of this Contract.
- (3) Fences, which must be cut or removed for access, shall be repaired or replaced by the Contractor at his/her expense to equal or exceed the quality of fencing that was in place prior to cutting or removal.
- (4) Access shall be as shown on the drawings. If alternate routes are obtained by the Contractor, they must be approved by the Contracting Officer prior to use. All access routes shall be restored, by the Contractor, to a condition equal to or better than the condition prior to the commencement of work under this contract.
- (5) Payment will be as stated in Section 3, "Payment".

## **Construction Specification 11—Removal of Water**

#### 1. Scope

The work consists of the removal of surface water and ground water as necessary to perform the construction required by the contract in accordance with the specifications. It shall include: (1) constructing, installing, building, and maintaining all necessary temporary water containment facilities, channels, and diversions; (2) furnishing, installing, and operating all necessary pumps, piping, and other facilities and equipment; and (3) removing all such temporary works and equipment after their intended function is no longer required.

#### 2. Diverting surface water

The contractor shall install, maintain, and operate all cofferdams, channels, flumes, sumps, and all other temporary diversion and protective works needed to divert streamflow and other surface water through or around the construction site. Control of surface water shall be continuous during the period that damage to construction work could occur. Unless otherwise specified and/or approved, the diversion outlet shall be into the same drainageway that the water would have reached before being diverted.

The contractor shall furnish the contracting officer, in writing, a proposed plan for diverting surface water before beginning any construction activities for which a diversion is required, unless waived in section 8 of this specification. Acceptance of this plan or the waiving of the plan requirement will not relieve the contractor of the responsibilities related to this activity during the process of completing the work as specified.

#### 3. Dewatering the construction site

Foundations, cutoff trenches, and all other parts of the construction site shall be dewatered and kept free of standing water and muddy conditions as necessary for the proper execution of the work. The contractor shall furnish, install, operate, and maintain all drains, sumps, pumps, casings, well points, and all other equipment required to properly dewater the site as specified. Dewatering systems that cause a loss of soil fines from the foundation areas will not be permitted.

The contractor shall furnish the contracting officer, in writing, a proposed plan for dewatering before commencing with any construction activity for which dewatering may be required, unless waived in section 8 of this specification. Acceptance of this plan or the waiving of the plan requirement will not relieve the contractor of the responsibilities for completing the specified work.

#### 4. Dewatering borrow areas

The contractor shall maintain all borrow areas free of surface water or otherwise provide for timely and effective removal of surface and subsurface water that accumulates within the borrow area, unless waived in section 8 of this specification. Borrow material shall be processed as necessary to achieve proper and uniform moisture content at the time of placement.

If pumping to dewater borrow areas is included as a bid item of work in the bid schedule, each pump discharge pipe shall be equipped with a water meter. The meter shall be such that the measured quantity of water is accurate within 3 percent of the true quantity. The contractor shall provide necessary support to perform accuracy tests of the water meter when requested by the

contracting officer.

#### 5. Erosion and pollution control

Removal of water from the construction site, including the borrow areas, shall be accomplished so that erosion and the transporting of sediment and other pollutants are minimized. Dewatering activities shall be accomplished in a manner that the water table water quality is not altered. Pollution control activities shall not conflict with the requirements of Construction Specification 5, Pollution Control, if it is a part of this contract.

#### 6. Removal of temporary works

When temporary works are no longer needed, the contractor shall remove and return the area to a condition similar to that which existed before construction. Areas where temporary works were located shall be graded for sightly appearance with no obstruction to natural surface waterflows or the proper functioning and access to the works of improvement installed. The contractor shall exercise extreme care during the removal stages to minimize the loss of soil sediment and debris that was trapped during construction.

Pipes, casings, and any other material used to dewater the site shall be removed from temporary wells. The wells shall be filled to ground level with clean gravel or other suitable material approved by the contracting officer. The contractor shall exercise extreme care to prevent pollution of the ground water by these actions.

#### 7. Measurement and payment

**Method 1**—Items of work listed in the bid schedule for removal of water, diverting surface water, and dewatering construction sites and borrow areas are paid for at the contract lump sum prices. Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, tools, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**Method 2**—Items of work listed in the bid schedule for removal of water, diverting surface water, dewatering construction sites, and dewatering borrow areas are paid for at the contract lump sum prices. Such payment will constitute full compensation for furnishing, installing, operating, and maintaining the necessary trenches, drains, sumps, pumps, and piping and for all labor, equipment, tools, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work. The exception is that additional payment for pumping to dewater borrow areas and the removal of water will be made as described in the following paragraph.

If pumping to dewater borrow areas is a contract bid item, payment is made at the contract unit price, which shall be the price per 1,000 gallons shown in the bid schedule. Such payment will constitute full compensation for pumping only. Compensation for equipment and preparation and for other costs associated with pumping is included in the lump sum payment for removal of water or the lump sum payment for dewatering the borrow areas. Payment is made only for pumping that is necessary to dewater borrow areas that cannot be effectively drained by gravity or that must have the water table lowered to be usable as a suitable borrow source. Pumping for other purposes will not be included for payment under this item.

All Methods—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment. Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule is included in the payment for the contract line item to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 8 of this specification.

#### 8. Items of work and construction details

(See next page)

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefore are:

#### a. Subsidiary Item, Removal of Water

- (1) The work shall consist of the removal of surface water and ground water as needed to perform the required construction in accordance with the specifications. It shall include, but not be limited to: (1) building and maintaining all necessary temporary impounding works, channels, and diversions, (2) furnishing, installing and operating all necessary pumps, piping, and other facilities and equipment, and (3) removing all such temporary works and equipment after they have served their purposes.
- (2) No dewatering plan will be required.
- (3) No separate payment will be made for this item. Compensation for Removal of Water will be included in the payment for <u>Bid Item 4</u>, <u>Steel Sheet Pile</u>.

## **Construction Specification 13—Piling**

#### 1. Scope

The work consists of furnishing and installing the specified kinds and types of piles at the locations shown on the drawings.

#### 2. Material

Piles shall conform to the requirements of following material specifications as appropriate to the kinds of piles specified. For piles of materials other than those listed, the material requirements outlined in section 14 of this specification shall apply.

- 511—Steel Piles
- 512—Wood Piles
- 513—Precast Concrete Piles
- 514—Cast-in-Place Concrete Piles

#### 3. Site preparation

All excavation within the area to be occupied by bearing piles shall be completed before the piles are driven.

#### 4. Protection of pile heads

The heads of all piles shall be protected during driving by suitable caps, rings, heads, blocks, mandrels, and other devices.

The heads of timber piles shall be fitted into a steel head block or fitted with heavy steel or wrought iron rings or wire wrapping.

The heads of steel piles shall be cut square and fitted with a steel driving cap.

The heads of precast concrete piles and casings shall be fitted into cushion type drive caps having a rope or other suitable cushion next to the pile head and fitting into a casting that in turn supports a timber shock block.

Driving heads, mandrels, and other devices shall be provided by the contractor as needed for special types of piles and shall conform to the recommendations of the pile manufacturer.

#### 5. Piles, general

The contractor shall notify the engineer before pile driving operation commences. Such notice shall be far enough in advance, a minimum of 24 hours, to provide the engineer adequate time to be present for the driving operations. Piles shall be driven only in the presence of the engineer or authorized representative.

The determination of piling order lengths shall be the contractor's responsibility unless otherwise specified.

Unless otherwise approved, piles shall be driven with steam, air, diesel powered hammers or a combination of hammers, or by vibration or water jets. Water jets may be used only when specifically authorized by the engineer. Where jetting is authorized, the jets shall be withdrawn

before the specified depth or bearing capacity is obtained and the piles shall be driven with the hammer to the final penetration.

When drop hammers are permitted, the height of drop shall not be more than 8 feet for concrete piles or 12 feet for steel and timber piles, unless otherwise specified.

The driving of piling with followers shall be allowed only when expressly approved by the engineer.

Piles shall not be driven within 20 feet of concrete less than 7 days after placement, including concrete placed in cast-in-place piles with or without predriven shells or casings.

The contractor shall not attempt to drive piles beyond the point of refusal, as indicated by excessive bouncing of the hammer or kicking of the pile.

#### 6. Bearing piles

Bearing piles shall be driven to the position, line, and batter specified on the drawings. Each pile shall be driven continuously and without interruption to the specified depth or until the specified bearing capacity is obtained. Deviation from this procedure is permitted only when interruption of driving is caused by conditions that could not reasonably be anticipated.

When a diesel hammer is used, it shall be operated at full throttle when blows are counted for determination of bearing capacity except that throttle adjustments shall be made as necessary to prevent the nonstriking parts of the hammer from rising from the pile on the ram upstroke.

#### 7. Sheet piles

The piling shall be driven in a manner that ensures perfect interlocking throughout the entire length of each pile. The piles shall be held in proper alignment during driving by assembling frames or other suitable temporary guide structures. Temporary guide structures shall be removed when they have served their purpose.

Anytime the forward edge of the sheet pile wall is found to be out of correct alignment,

- a. The piling already assembled and partly driven shall be driven to the required depth.
- b. Taper piles shall then be driven to bring the forward edge into correct alignment before additional regular piling is assembled and driven. The maximum permissible taper in a single pile shall be 0.25 inch per foot of length.

#### 8. Estimating bearing capacity

When load tests are not required, the bearing capacity of each pile shall be estimated using one of the following formulas, as appropriate:

Gravity hammers:

$$R = \frac{2WH}{S+1}$$

Single-acting steam or air hammers and diesel hammers having unrestricted rebound of the ram:

$$R = \frac{2WH}{S + 0.1}$$

Double-acting steam or air hammers and diesel hammers having enclosed rams:

$$R = \frac{2H(W + AP)}{S + 0.1}$$
 or  $R = \frac{2E}{S + 0.1}$ 

where:

R = safe bearing capacity, in pounds

W = weight of striking parts of hammer, in pounds

H = height of fall, in feet

A = area of piston, in square inches

P = pressure of steam, air, or other gas exerted on the hammer piston or ram, in pounds per square inch

E = the manufacturer's rating for foot-pounds of energy developed by double-acting steam or air hammers, or 90 percent of the average equivalent energy developed by diesel hammers having enclosed rams as evaluated by gauge and chart readings, in foot-pounds

S = average penetration for the last 5 to 10 blows of a gravity hammer or the last 10 to 20 blows for steam, air, or diesel powered hammers, in inches per blow

These formulas are applicable when:

- The hammer has a free fall.
- The head of the pile is not crushed.
- The penetration is reasonably quick and uniform.
- There is no sensible bounce after the blow.
- A follower is not used.

Twice the height of the bounce shall be deducted from **H** to determine its value in the formula.

If case water jets are used in conjunction with the driving, these formulas are used to determine the bearing power from the results of driving after the jets have been removed.

#### 9. Load tests

When load tests are specified, the test loads shall be applied gradually, without impact, and in a manner that no lateral forces are applied to the pile. Load testing shall not be started until 24 hours after driving of the test pile is completed unless otherwise specified in section 14 of this specification. Except as otherwise specified, load tests shall be performed according to the following procedures.

The total test load shall be twice the specified working load and shall be applied to the pile in increments equal to 25 percent of the working load. Settlement of the top of the pile shall be measured to an accuracy of 0.01 inch before and after the application of each load increment and at 2, 4, 8, 15, 30, and 60 minutes after, and then every 2 hours until the next load increment is applied. Additional load shall not be applied until the rate of settlement is less than 0.01 inch in 1 hour.

The total test load shall remain on the pile for a minimum of 24 hours. Settlement shall be measured at 6-hour intervals during this period and at the end of the period, at least twice during removal of the load, and immediately after all of the test load is removed. The net settlement shall be measured about 24 hours after the total load has been removed.

If settlement continues in excess of 0.01 inch per hour under less than the total test load, no additional load shall be applied. However, the load that has been applied shall remain on the pile

a minimum of 24 hours, and settlement measurements while the load is on the pile and during and after removal of the load shall be made as if it were the total test load.

#### 10. Cutting off piles

The contractor shall cut the piles at the specified elevations. The length of pile cut off shall be sufficient to permit the removal of all damaged material. Steel shells or concrete casings for cast-in-place concrete piles shall be cut off at the specified elevation before being filled with concrete.

Steel bearing piles shall be cut off in clean, straight lines as shown on the drawings. Any irregularities shall be leveled off with deposits of weld metal or by grinding before placement of bearing caps.

Precast concrete piles and concrete casings shall be cut off in a manner that prevents damage to the rest of the pile or casing or to the projecting reinforcement required for connecting the piles to the structure.

Timber piles that are to be capped shall be accurately cut off so that true bearing is obtained on every pile without the use of shims.

#### 11. Defective piles

Any pile damaged in driving, driven out of proper location, driven below the specified cutoff elevation, or inaccurately cut off shall be corrected by one of the following methods, as approved by the engineer:

- a. The defective pile shall be pulled and replaced or re-driven.
- b. A new pile shall be driven adjacent to the defective pile.
- c. The defective pile shall be spliced or built up or a sufficient part of the footing shall be extended to properly embed the pile.

Pile shells abandoned in place after driving shall be filled with concrete or sand-cement grout as appropriate to the conditions that are present.

All piles pushed up by the driving of adjacent piles or by any other cause shall be re-driven to final grade.

Any sheet pile ruptured in the interlock or otherwise damaged during driving shall be pulled and replaced.

#### 12. Correcting surface heave

Any excess material resulting from displacement of earth by pile driving shall be removed. Materials disturbed by pile driving shall be conditioned and compacted to a minimum density equal to adjacent undisturbed material.

#### 13. Measurement and payment

**Method 1**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, each type, kind, and length of pile driven in place is counted. Payment for furnishing and driving each type, kind, and length of pile is made at the contract unit price. Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, materials, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**Method 2**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, each type, kind, and length of pile furnished, accepted, and stockpiled in good condition at the site of the work is counted. Payment for furnishing each type, kind, and length of pile is made at the contract unit price. Payment for driving each type and kind of pile is made at the contract unit price. Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, materials, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**Method 3**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, the length of each type and kind of pile driven is computed to the nearest foot as the difference between the measured length of pile before driving and measured length of pile cut off after driving. Payment for furnishing and driving each type and kind of pile is made at the contract unit price. Such payment will constitute full payment for all labor, equipment, materials, and other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**Method 4**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, the area of sheet pile walls, acceptably placed in accordance and within the neat lines shown on the drawings, is computed to the nearest square foot. Payment is made at the contract unit price for each type, kind, and weight of piling. Such payment will constitute full payment for all labor, equipment, materials, and other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

*All Methods*—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment:

The measurement of the number of linear feet of piles (or number of piles) furnished and the number of piles driven shall include test and tension piles specified in the contract. Piles furnished and driven at the option of the contractor are not included. No payment is made for furnishing or driving pile, including test piles, to replace piles lost or damaged before the completion of the contract while in stockpile or during handling and driving.

When load tests are specified, payment for each test is made at the contract unit price per test. Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, materials, and all other items necessary and incidental to perform the test, except furnishing and driving piling.

When splices are specified, payment for each splice is made at the contract unit price. Such payment shall constitute full compensation for labor, equipment, materials, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 14 of this specification.

# 14. Items of work and construction details (See next page.)

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefor are:

#### a. Bid Item 4, Steel Sheetpile

- (1) This item shall consist of furnishing and driving all steel sheetpiling required to repair the steel sheetpile wall to the lines and grades shown on the drawings and as staked in the field.
- (2) All piling shall conform to Material Specification 511, Steel Piles and Construction Specification 82, Painting Metalwork.
- (3) All steel piling shall conform to ASTM A 328 or A 572, Grade 50.
- (4) Sheet piling may be driven with a vibratory hammer. The vibratory hammer shall be as recommended by the manufacturer or the sheet piling for that purpose and application.
- (5) Any of the driving methods may cause damage to the top of the sheet pile. The contractor should anticipate this depending on the method of driving and plan to cut off the damaged pile as necessary to provide a smooth line for the cut off elevation of the pile. The lengths indicated on the drawings will be installed. Piling shall not be cut off until the bottom of the pile reaches the required penetration length. No additional payment will be made for cut off portions of the piles. Cut-off ends shall be recycled or disposed of at an approved off-site facility.
- (6) The new piling to be driven shall be compatible with the existing piling such that a seamless "tie-in" can be achieved with the piles at each end of the repair area. The existing piles to be "tied-into" are Frodingham 2N steel sheetpiles.
- (7) The first pile shall be driven on the extreme left or right side of the repair area and progress by driving the female (socket) end over the male end of the previous pile.
- (8) The minimum section modulus and associated thickness of each pile shall be as shown on the drawings.
- (9) Only "normal configuration" (as shown on the drawings) will be permitted when driving sheetpiling.
- (10) In the event that a sheet pile cannot be driven to the planned elevation due to refusal of penetration of the piling, the Contractor shall contact the Contracting Officer immediately and await further instructions.
- (11) Section 13, Measurement and Payment of this specification is deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

Payment will be made at the specified lump sum price as established in the contract. Such payment shall be considered full compensation for all material, labor, equipment, tools, and other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work. Such payment will constitute full compensation for related Subsidiary Items, "Pollution Control", "Removal of Water", "Metal Fabrication and Installation, Sheetpile Cap", and "Cleaning and Painting Metalwork".

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## **Construction Specification 21—Excavation**

#### 1. Scope

The work shall consist of the excavation required by the drawings and specifications and disposal of the excavated materials.

#### 2. Classification

Excavation is classified as common excavation, rock excavation, or unclassified excavation in accordance with the following definitions.

Common excavation is defined as the excavation of all materials that can be excavated, transported, and unloaded using heavy ripping equipment and wheel tractor-scrapers with pusher tractors or that can be excavated and dumped into place or loaded onto hauling equipment by excavators having a rated capacity of one cubic yard or larger and equipped with attachments (shovel, bucket, backhoe, dragline, or clam shell) appropriate to the material type, character, and nature of the materials

Rock excavation is defined as the excavation of all hard, compacted, or cemented materials that require blasting or the use of ripping and excavating equipment larger than defined for common excavation. The excavation and removal of isolated boulders or rock fragments larger than 1 cubic yard encountered in materials otherwise conforming to the definition of common excavation shall be classified as rock excavation. The presence of isolated boulders or rock fragments larger than 1 cubic yard is not in itself sufficient cause to change the classification of the surrounding material.

For the purpose of these classifications, the following definitions shall apply:

*Heavy ripping equipment* is a rear-mounted, heavy duty, single-tooth, ripping attachment mounted on a track type tractor having a power rating of at least 250 flywheel horsepower unless otherwise specified in section 10.

Wheel tractor-scraper is a self-loading (not elevating) and unloading scraper having a struck bowl capacity of at least 12 cubic yards.

*Pusher tractor* is a track type tractor having a power rating of at least 250 flywheel horsepower equipped with appropriate attachments.

*Unclassified excavation* is defined as the excavation of all materials encountered, including rock materials, regardless of their nature or the manner in which they are removed.

#### 3. Blasting

The transportation, handling, storage, and use of dynamite and other explosives shall be directed and supervised by a person(s) of proven experience and ability who is authorized and qualified to conduct blasting operations.

Blasting shall be done in a manner as to prevent damage to the work or unnecessary fracturing of the underlying rock materials and shall conform to any special requirements in section 10 of this

specification. When specified in section 10, the contractor shall furnish the engineer, in writing, a blasting plan before blasting operations begin.

#### 4. Use of excavated material

**Method 1**—To the extent they are needed, all suitable material from the specified excavations shall be used in the construction of required permanent earthfill or rockfill. The suitability of material for specific purposes is determined by the engineer. The contractor shall not waste or otherwise dispose of suitable excavated material.

**Method 2**—Suitable material from the specified excavations may be used in the construction of required earthfill or rockfill. The suitability of material for specific purposes is determined by the engineer.

#### 5. Disposal of waste materials

**Method 1**—All surplus or unsuitable excavated materials are designated as waste and shall be disposed of at the locations shown on the drawings.

**Method 2**—All surplus or unsuitable excavated materials are designated as waste and shall be disposed of by the contractor at sites of his own choosing away from the site of the work. The disposal shall be in an environmentally acceptable manner that does not violate local rules and regulations.

#### 6. Excavation limits

Excavations shall comply with OSHA Construction Industry Standards (29CFR Part 1926) Subpart P, Excavations, Trenching, and Shoring. All excavations shall be completed and maintained in a safe and stable condition throughout the total construction phase. Structure and trench excavations shall be completed to the specified elevations and to the length and width required to safely install, adjust, and remove any forms, bracing, or supports necessary for the installation of the work. Excavations outside the lines and limits shown on the drawings or specified herein required to meet safety requirements shall be the responsibility of the contractor in constructing and maintaining a safe and stable excavation.

#### 7. Borrow excavation

When the quantities of suitable material obtained from specified excavations are insufficient to construct the specified earthfills and earth backfills, additional material shall be obtained from the designated borrow areas. The extent and depth of borrow pits within the limits of the designated borrow areas shall be as specified in section 10 or as approved by the engineer.

Borrow pits shall be excavated and finally dressed to blend with the existing topography and sloped to prevent ponding and to provide drainage.

#### 8. Overexcavation

Excavation in rock beyond the specified lines and grades shall be corrected by filling the resulting voids with portland cement concrete made of materials and mix proportions approved by the engineer. Concrete that will be exposed to the atmosphere when construction is completed shall meet the requirements of concrete selected for use under Construction Specification 31, Concrete for Major Structures, or 32, Structure Concrete, as appropriate.

Concrete that will be permanently covered shall contain not less than five bags of cement per

cubic yard. The concrete shall be placed and cured as specified by the engineer.

Excavation in earth beyond the specified lines and grades shall be corrected by filling the resulting voids with approved, compacted earthfill. The exception to this is that if the earth is to become the subgrade for riprap, rockfill, sand or gravel bedding, or drainfill, the voids may be filled with material conforming to the specifications for the riprap, rockfill, bedding, or drainfill. Before correcting an overexcavation condition, the contractor shall review the planned corrective action with the engineer and obtain approval of the corrective measures.

#### 9. Measurement and payment

For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, the volume of each type and class of excavation within the specified pay limits is measured and computed to the nearest cubic yard by the method of average cross-sectional end areas or by methods outlined in section 10 of this specification. Regardless of quantities excavated, the measurement for payment is made to the specified pay limits except that excavation outside the specified lines and grades directed by the engineer to remove unsuitable material is included. Excavation required because unsuitable conditions result from the contractor's improper construction operations, as determined by the engineer, is not included for measurement and payment.

**Method 1**—The pay limits shall be as designated on the drawings.

#### *Method 2*—The pay limits shall be defined as follows:

- a. The upper limit shall be the original ground surface as it existed before the start of construction operations except that where excavation is performed within areas designated for previous excavation or earthfill, the upper limit shall be the modified ground surface resulting from the specified previous excavation or earthfill.
- b. The lower and lateral limits shall be the neat lines and grades shown on the drawings.

#### *Method 3*—The pay limits shall be defined as follows:

- a. The upper limit shall be the original ground surface as it existed before the start of construction operations except that where excavation is performed within areas designated for previous excavation or earthfill, the upper limit shall be the modified ground surface resulting from the specified previous excavation or earthfill.
- b. The lower and lateral limits shall be the true surface of the completed excavation as directed by the engineer.

#### *Method 4*—The pay limits shall be defined as follows:

- a. The upper limit shall be the original ground surface as it existed before the start of construction operations except that where excavation is performed within areas designated for previous excavation or earthfill, the upper limit shall be the modified ground surface resulting from the specified previous excavation or earthfill.
- b. The lower limit shall be at the bottom surface of the proposed structure.
- c. The lateral limits shall be 18 inches outside of the outside surface of the proposed structure or shall be vertical planes 18 inches outside of and parallel to the footings, whichever gives the larger pay quantity, except as provided in d below.
- d. For trapezoidal channel linings or similar structures that are to be supported upon the sides of the excavation without intervening forms, the lateral limits shall be at the underside of the proposed lining or structure.

e. For the purposes of the definitions in b, c, and d, above, any specified bedding or drainfill directly beneath or beside the structure will be considered to be a part of the structure.

*All methods*—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment.

Payment for each type and class of excavation is made at the contract unit price for that type and class of excavation. Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, materials, equipment, and all other items necessary and incidental to the performance of the work except that extra payment for backfilling overexcavation will be made in accordance with the following provisions.

Payment for backfilling overexcavation, as specified in section 8 of this specification, is made only if the excavation outside specified lines and grades is directed by the engineer to remove unsuitable material and if the unsuitable condition is not a result of the contractor's improper construction operations as determined by the engineer.

Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 10 of this specification.

#### 10. Items of work and construction details

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Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefor are:

#### a. Bid Item 5, Excavation

- (1) This item shall consist of all excavation required to perform the work as shown in the plans, as called for in the specifications and as staked in the field. Excavation shall be classified as *Common Excavation*.
- (2) If the contractor elects to perform any of the excavation in the wet (under normal water level conditions) he will assure that the final excavated surface shall be uniform and free from any abrupt changes in grade. The lines and grades shown on the drawings or staked in the field shall be adhered to.
- (3) All unconsolidated and undesirable loose material, as determined by the COTR, shall be removed from the damaged slope area. The final surface of the excavated area shall be undisturbed soil and have a slope no steeper than one horizontal to one vertical (1:1).
- (4) Use of excavated material shall be by Method 2 with the following addition; "Only the excavated material that meets the requirements of <u>Specification 23</u>, <u>Earthfill</u>, and only the amount necessary to complete the Earthfill requirements shall be stockpiled on the construction site for later use".
- (5) Disposal of waste material shall be by Method 1 with the following addition: "If approved by the COTR all excess or undesirable excavated soil may be disposed of at the construction site by placing along the berm and along the east side of the sheetpile wall at locations concurred in by the COTR. Any soil used in this manner will be bucket dressed and left in a smooth and neat condition".
- (6) The excavated area shall not remain exposed for a period of time exceeding 24 hours prior to the placement of the geotextile, drainfill, rock riprap and/or earthfill.
- (7) Section 9, Measurement and Payment, of this specification is deleted in its entirety and is replaced as follows:

Payment shall be made at the lump sum price in the contract and such payment shall be considered as full compensation for all labor, materials, equipment, and all other items necessary and incidental to the performance of the work except that extra payment for backfilling overexcavation will be made in accordance with the following provisions.

Payment for backfilling overexcavation is made only if the excavation outside specified lines and grades is directed by the COTR to remove unsuitable material and if the unsuitable condition is not a result of the contractor's improper construction operations as determined by the COTR.

## **Construction Specification 23—Earthfill**

#### 1. Scope

The work consists of the construction of earth embankments, other earthfills, and earth backfills required by the drawings and specifications.

*Earthfill* is composed of natural earth materials that can be placed and compacted by construction equipment operated in a conventional manner.

*Earth backfill* is composed of natural earth material placed and compacted in confined spaces or adjacent to structures (including pipes) by hand tamping, manually directed power tampers or vibrating plates, or their equivalent.

#### 2. Material

All fill material shall be obtained from required excavations and designated borrow areas. The selection, blending, routing, and disposition of material in the various fills shall be subject to approval by the engineer.

Fill materials shall contain no frozen soil, sod, brush, roots, or other perishable material. Rock particles larger than the maximum size specified for each type of fill shall be removed prior to compaction of the fill.

The types of material used in the various fills shall be as listed and described in the specifications and drawings.

#### 3. Foundation preparation

Foundations for earthfill shall be stripped to remove vegetation and other unsuitable material or shall be excavated as specified.

Except as otherwise specified, earth foundation surfaces shall be graded to remove surface irregularities and shall be scarified parallel to the axis of the fill or otherwise acceptably scored and loosened to a minimum depth of 2 inches. The moisture content of the loosened material shall be controlled as specified for the earthfill, and the surface material of the foundation shall be compacted and bonded with the first layer of earthfill as specified for subsequent layers of earthfill.

Earth abutment surfaces shall be free of loose, uncompacted earth in excess of 2 inches in depth normal to the slope and shall be at such a moisture content that the earthfill can be compacted against them to produce a good bond between the fill and the abutments.

Rock foundation and abutment surfaces shall be cleared of all loose material by hand or other effective means and shall be free of standing water when fill is placed upon them. Occasional rock outcrops in earth foundations for earthfill, except in dams and other structures designed to restrain the movement of water, shall not require special treatment if they do not interfere with compaction of the foundation and initial layers of the fill or the bond between the foundation and the fill.

Foundation and abutment surfaces shall be no steeper than one horizontal to one vertical unless otherwise specified. Test pits or other cavities shall be filled with compacted earthfill conforming to the specifications for the earthfill to be placed upon the foundation.

#### 4. Placement

Earthfill shall not be placed until the required excavation and foundation preparation have been completed and the foundation has been inspected and approved by the engineer. Earthfill shall not be placed upon a frozen surface nor shall snow, ice, or frozen material be incorporated in the earthfill matrix.

Earthfill shall be placed in approximately horizontal layers. The thickness of each layer before compaction shall not exceed the maximum thickness specified in section 10 or shown on the drawings. Materials placed by dumping in piles or windrows shall be spread uniformly to not more than the specified thickness before being compacted.

Hand compacted earth backfill shall be placed in layers whose thickness before compaction does not exceed the maximum thickness specified for layers of earth backfill compacted by manually directed power tampers.

Earth backfill shall be placed in a manner that prevents damage to the structures and allows the structures to assume the loads from the earth backfill gradually and uniformly. The height of the earth backfill adjacent to a structure shall be increased at approximately the same rate on all sides of the structure.

Earthfill and earth backfill in dams, levees, and other structures designed to restrain the movement of water shall be placed to meet the following additional requirements:

- (a) The distribution of materials throughout each zone shall be essentially uniform, and the earthfill shall be free from lenses, pockets, streaks, or layers of material differing substantially in texture, moisture content, or gradation from the surrounding material. Zone earthfills shall be constructed concurrently unless otherwise specified.
- (b) If the surface of any layer becomes too hard and smooth for proper bond with the succeeding layer, it shall be scarified parallel to the axis of the fill to a depth of not less than 2 inches before the next layer is placed.
- (c) The top surface of embankments shall be maintained approximately level during construction with two exceptions: A crown or cross-slope of about 2 percent shall be maintained to ensure effective drainage, or as otherwise specified for drainfill or sectional zones.
- (d) Dam embankments shall be constructed in continuous layers from abutment to abutment except where openings to facilitate construction or to allow the passage of streamflow during construction are specifically authorized in the contract.
- (e) Embankments built at different levels as described under (c) or (d) above shall be constructed so that the slope of the bonding surfaces between embankment in place and embankment to be placed is not steeper than 3 feet horizontal to 1 foot vertical. The bonding surface of the embankment in place shall be stripped of all material not meeting the requirements of this specification and shall be scarified, moistened, and recompacted when the new earthfill is placed against it. This ensures a good bond with the new earthfill and obtains the specified moisture content and density at the contact of the inplace and new earthfills.

#### 5. Control of moisture content

During placement and compaction of earthfill and earth backfill, the moisture content of the material being placed shall be maintained within the specified range.

The application of water to the earthfill material shall be accomplished at the borrow areas insofar as practicable. Water may be applied by sprinkling the material after placement on the earthfill, if necessary. Uniform moisture distribution shall be obtained by disking.

Material that is too wet when deposited on the earthfill shall either be removed or be dried to the specified moisture content prior to compaction.

If the top surface of the preceding layer of compacted earthfill or a foundation or abutment surface in the zone of contact with the earthfill becomes too dry to permit suitable bond, it shall either be removed or scarified and moistened by sprinkling to an acceptable moisture content before placement of the next layer of earthfill.

#### 6. Compaction

**Earthfill**—Earthfill shall be compacted according to the following requirements for the class of compaction specified:

Class A compaction—Each layer of earthfill shall be compacted as necessary to provide the density of the earthfill matrix not less than the minimum density specified in Section 10 or identified on the drawings. The earthfill matrix is defined as the portion of the earthfill material finer than the maximum particle size used in the compaction test method specified.

*Class B compaction*—Each layer of earthfill shall be compacted to a mass density not less than the minimum density specified.

**Class C compaction**—Each layer of earthfill shall be compacted by the specified number of passes of the type and weight of roller or other equipment specified or by an approved equivalent method. Each pass shall consist of at least one passage of the roller wheel or drum over the entire surface of the layer.

Earth backfill—Earth backfill adjacent to structures shall be compacted to a density equivalent to that of the surrounding inplace earth material or adjacent required earthfill or earth backfill. Compaction shall be accomplished by hand tamping or manually directed power tampers, plate vibrators, walk-behind, miniature, or self-propelled rollers. Unless otherwise specified heavy equipment including backhoe mounted power tampers or vibrating compactors and manually directed vibrating rollers shall not be operated within 2 feet of any structure. Towed or self-propelled vibrating rollers shall not be operated within 5 feet of any structure. Compaction by means of drop weights operating from a crane or hoist is not permitted.

The passage of heavy equipment will not be allowed:

- Over cast-in-place conduits within 14-days after placement of the concrete
- Over cradled or bedded precast conduits within 7 days after placement of the concrete cradle or bedding
- Over any type of conduit until the backfill has been placed above the top surface of the structure to a height equal to one-half the clear span width of the structure or pipe or 2 feet, whichever is greater, except as may be specified in section 10.

Compacting of earth backfill adjacent to structures shall not be started until the concrete has attained the strength specified in section 10 for this purpose. The strength is determined by compression testing of test cylinders cast by the contractor's quality control personnel for this purpose and cured at the work site in the manner specified in ASTM C 31 for determining when a structure may be put into service.

When the required strength of the concrete is not specified as described above, compaction of earth backfill adjacent to structures shall not be started until the following time intervals have elapsed after placement of the concrete.

Structure	Time interval (days)
Vertical or near-vertical walls with earth loading on one side only	14
Walls backfilled on both sides simultaneously	7
Conduits and spillway risers, cast-in-place (with inside forms in place)	7
Conduits and spillway risers, cast-in-place (inside forms removed)	14
Conduits, pre-cast, cradled	2
Conduits, pre-cast, bedded	1
Cantilever outlet bents (backfilled both sides simultaneously)	3

# 7. Reworking or removal and replacement of defective earthfill

Earthfill placed at densities lower than the specified minimum density or at moisture contents outside the specified acceptable range of moisture content or otherwise not conforming to the requirements of the specifications shall be reworked to meet the requirements or removed and replaced by acceptable earthfill. The replacement earthfill and the foundation, abutment, and earthfill surfaces upon which it is placed shall conform to all requirements of this specification for foundation preparation, approval, placement, moisture control, and compaction.

# 8. Testing

During the course of the work, the engineer will perform quality assurance tests required to identify material; determine compaction characteristics; determine moisture content; and determine density of earthfill in place. Tests performed by the engineer will be used to verify that the earthfills conform to contract requirements of the specifications and not as a replacement for the contractor's quality control program.

Densities of earthfill requiring Class A compaction will be determined in accordance with ASTM D 1556, D 2167, D 2922, or D 2937 except that the volume and moist weight of included rock particles larger than those used in the compaction test method specified for the type of fill will be determined and deducted from the volume and moist weight of the total sample before computation of density or, if using the nuclear gauge, added to the specified density to bring it to the measure of equivalent composition for comparison (See ASTM D 4718). The density so computed is used to determine the percent compaction of the earthfill matrix. Unless otherwise specified, moisture content is determined by one of the following methods: ASTM D 2216, D 3017, D 4643, D 4944, or D 4959.

#### 9. Measurement and payment

For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, the volume of each type and compaction class of earthfill and earth backfill within the specified zone boundaries and pay limits is measured and computed to the nearest cubic yard by the method of average cross-sectional end areas. Unless otherwise specified in section 10, no deduction in volume is made for embedded items, such as, but not limited to, conduits, inlet structures, outlet structures, embankment drains, sand diaphragm and outlet, and their appurtenances.

The pay limits shall be as defined below, with the further provision that earthfill required to fill voids resulting from overexcavation of the foundation, outside the specified lines and grades, will be included in the measurement for payment only under the following conditions:

- Where such overexcavation is directed by the engineer to remove unsuitable material, and
- Where the unsuitable condition is not a result of the contractor's improper construction operations as determined by the engineer.

Earthfill beyond the specified lines and grades to backfill excavation required for compliance with OSHA requirements will be considered subsidiary to the earthfill bid item(s).

*Method 1*—The pay limits shall be as designated on the drawings.

**Method 2**—The pay limits shall be the measured surface of the foundation when approved for placement of the earthfill and the specified neat lines of the earthfill surface.

**Method 3**—The pay limits shall be the measured surface of the foundation when approved for placement of the earthfill and the measured surface of the completed earthfill.

**Method 4**—The pay limits shall be the specified pay limits for excavation and the specified neat lines of the earthfill surface.

**Method 5**—The pay limits shall be the specified pay limits for excavation and the measured surface of the completed earthfill.

**Method 6**—Payment for each type and compaction class of earthfill and earth backfill is made at the contract unit price for that type and compaction class of earthfill. Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, material, equipment, and all other items necessary and incidental to the performance of the work.

**Method** 7—Payment for each type and compaction class of earthfill and earth backfill is made at the contract unit price for that type and compaction class of earthfill. Such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, material, equipment, and all other items necessary and incidental to the performance of the work except furnishing, transporting, and applying water to the foundation and earthfill material. Water applied to the foundation and earthfill material is measured and payment made as specified in Construction Specification 10.

**All methods**—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment. Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 10 of this specification.

#### 10. Items of work and construction details

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#### 10. Items of work and construction details

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefore are:

#### a. Bid Item 6, Earthfill

- (1) This item shall consist of all work necessary to furnish, haul, place and shape the necessary earthfill needed to complete the levee and berm repair as shown on the drawings and specified herein.
- (2) The following specifications shall apply to the **earthen levee repair**. The contractor shall provide earthfill for the earthen levee repair from off-site borrow areas. Earthfill, delivered to the site, shall be friable surface soil reasonably free of grass, roots, weeds, sticks, stones or other foreign material. It shall be classified as CL or CH on the Unified Soil Classification System. **All fill shall be approved by the COTR before placement**. All rejected earthfill will be removed from the construction site at the contractor's expense.
  - Class C compaction shall apply for earthfill. Once the surface of the levee to be repaired has been approved by the COTR, the Earthfill will be spread in uniform layers, not to exceed nine (9) inches, before compaction. Compaction shall be accomplished by routing the hauling or placing equipment in such a manner that the entire surface of each layer shall be covered by at least two passes of the wheel or track of the equipment, or an equivalent method approved by the COTR, to ensure a homogeneous mass, to the lines and grade shown on the drawings. The finished surface of the Earthfill shall have a smooth surface free of clods".
- (3) The following specifications shall apply to the **earthfill over the rockfill at the sheetpile wall repair**. When on-site earthfill is not sufficient to complete the work, or when existing earthfill is deemed unsuitable by the COTR, the contractor shall provide earthfill from off-site borrow areas. Earthfill, delivered to the site, shall be friable surface soil reasonably free of grass, roots, weeds, sticks, stones or other foreign material. It shall be classified as CL or CH on the Unified Soil Classification System. **All fill shall be approved by the COTR before placement**. All rejected earthfill will be removed from the construction site at the contractor's expense.
  - Class C compaction shall apply for earthfill placed over rockfill with the following additions; "Once the surface of the rockfill, has been approved by the COTR, the Earthfill will be spread in uniform layers, not to exceed six (6) inches, and lightly bucket compacted, to ensure a homogeneous mass, to the lines and grade shown on the drawings. Care will be taken in the placement of the Earthfill so as not to displace the rockfill material. The finished surface of the Earthfill shall have a smooth surface free of clods".
- (4) The moisture content of the fill shall be homogeneous and shall be maintained at a level which will:
  - a. Prevent bulking or dilatant behavior of the material under the action of the hauling or placing equipment. Dilatant behavior is exhibited when a soil sample is shaken and the surface shines due to the movement of free water
  - b. Prevent adherence of the fill material to the hauling or placing equipment.
  - c. Ensure the crushing and blending of the soil clods into a homogenous mass.
  - d. Allow a sample to be hand molded and will form a ball that does not readily separate and does not ooze through the fingers.
- (5) Section 9, "Measurement and Payment", of this specification is deleted in its entirety and is replaced as follows:

Payment shall be made at the lump sum price in the contract and such payment shall be considered as full compensation for all material, labor, equipment, tools, and other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work as described in this contract. Such payment will constitute full compensation for related <u>Subsidiary Items</u>, "<u>Pollution Control</u>", and "<u>Seeding</u>, <u>Fertilization and Mulching</u>".

# **Construction Specification 25—Rockfill**

## 1. Scope

The work consists of the construction of rockfill zones of embankments and other rockfills required by the drawings and specifications, including bedding where specified.

#### 2. Material

Material for rockfill and bedding shall be obtained from the specified sources unless otherwise specified in section 10 of this specification. The material shall be excavated, selected, processed, and handled as necessary to conform to the specified gradation requirements.

#### 3. Foundation preparation

Foundations for rockfill shall be stripped to remove vegetation and other unsuitable material or shall be excavated as specified.

Except as otherwise specified, earth foundation surfaces shall be graded to remove surface irregularities, and test pits or other cavities shall be filled with compacted earthfill of approximately the same kind and density as the adjacent foundation material.

Rock foundation surfaces shall be cleared of all loose material not conforming to the specifications for the rockfill.

Abutments for rockfill zones of embankments shall be prepared as specified above for foundations.

Rockfill and/or bedding shall not be placed until the foundation preparation is completed and the foundation and excavations have been inspected and approved.

#### 4. Bedding

When a bedding layer beneath rockfill is specified, the bedding material shall be spread uniformly on the prepared subgrade surfaces to the depth indicated. Compaction of the bedding material shall be as specified in section 10 of this specification.

#### 5. Placement

**Method 1**—The rock shall be dumped and spread into position in approximately horizontal layers not to exceed 3 feet in thickness. It shall be placed to produce a reasonably homogeneous stable fill that contains no segregated pockets of large or small fragments or large unfilled spaces caused by bridging of the larger rock fragments.

**Method 2**—The rock shall be dumped and spread into position in approximately horizontal layers not to exceed 3 feet in thickness. The rock shall be placed so that the completed fill shall be graded with the smaller rock fragments placed in the inner portion of the embankment and the larger rock fragments placed on the outer slopes. Rock shall be placed to produce a stable fill that contains no large unfilled spaces caused by bridging of the larger fraction.

#### 6. Control of moisture

The moisture content of rockfill material shall be controlled as specified in section 10 of this

specification. When the addition of water is required, it shall be applied in a manner to avoid excessive wetting of adjacent earthfill. Except as specified in section 10 of this specification, control of the moisture content is not required.

The moisture content of the bedding material shall be controlled to ensure that bulking of the sand materials does not occur during compaction operations.

# 7. Compaction of rockfill

Rockfill shall be compacted as described below for the class of compaction specified or by an approved equivalent method.

**Class I compaction**—Each layer of fill shall be compacted by at least four passes over the entire surface with a steel-drum vibrating roller that weighs at least 5 tons and exerting a vertical vibrating force of not less than 20,000 pounds at a frequency not less than 1,200 times per minute.

*Class II compaction*—Each layer of fill shall be compacted by at least four passes over the entire surface by a track of a crawler-type tractor weighing at least 20 tons.

*Class III compaction*—No compaction is required beyond that resulting from the placing and spreading operations.

Heavy equipment shall not be operated within 2 feet of any structure. Vibrating rollers shall not be operated within 5 feet of any structure. Compaction by means of drop weights operating from a crane, hoist, or similar equipment is not permitted.

When compaction other than Class III compaction is specified, rockfill placed in trenches or other locations inaccessible to heavy equipment shall be compacted by manually controlled pneumatic or vibrating tampers or by equivalent methods approved by the engineer.

# 8. Compaction of bedding

Bedding shall be compacted according to the following requirements for the Class of compaction specified:

*Class A compaction*—Each layer of bedding shall be compacted to a relative density of not less than 70 percent as determined by ASTM Method D 4254.

**Class I compaction**—Each layer of bedding shall be compacted by at least two passes over the entire surface with a steel-drum vibrating roller weighing at least 5 tons and exerting a vertical vibrating force not less than 20,000 pounds at a frequency not less than 1,200 times per minute, or an approved equivalent method.

**Class II compaction**—Each layer of bedding shall be compacted by one of the following methods or by an equivalent method approved by the engineer:

- a. At least two passes over the entire surface with pneumatic rubber-tired roller exerting a minimum pressure of 75 pounds per square inch. A pass is defined as at least one passage of the roller wheel, track, tire, or drum over the entire surface of the bedding layer.
- b. At least four passes over the entire surface with the track of a crawler-type tractor weighing a minimum of 20 tons.

c. Controlled movement of the hauling equipment so that the entire surface is traversed by a minimum of one tread track of the loaded equipment.

*Class III compaction*—No compaction is required beyond that resulting from the placing and spreading operations.

Heavy equipment shall not be operated within 2 feet of any structure. Vibrating rollers shall not be operated within 5 feet of any structure. Compaction by means of drop weights operating from a crane, hoist, or similar equipment is not permitted.

When compaction other than Class III is specified, bedding placed in trenches or other locations inaccessible to heavy equipment shall be compacted by manually controlled pneumatic or vibrating tampers or by equivalent methods approved by the engineer.

## 9. Measurement and payment

For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, the volume of each type of rockfill, including bedding, with the zone boundaries and limits specified on the drawings or established by the engineer is measured and computed to the nearest cubic yard by the method of average cross-sectional end areas.

Payment for each type of rockfill is made at the contract unit price for that type of fill. Except as otherwise specified in section 10 of this specification, such payment will constitute full compensation for all labor, equipment, material, and all other items necessary and incidental to the performance of the work including furnishing, placing, and compacting the bedding material.

Compensation for any type of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 10 of this specification.

# 10. Items of work and construction details (See next page)

#### 10. Items of work and construction details

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefore are:

#### a. Bid Item 7, Rockfill

- (1) This item shall consist of furnishing and placing the rockfill at the locations and to the lines and grades shown on the construction drawings and as staked in the field by the COTR.
- (2) The Rockfill shall be crushed limestone meeting the requirements of coarse aggregate, Size #57 as indicated on the drawings, in accordance with ASTM C 33. Placement shall be as shown in the drawings.
- (3) No rockfill shall be placed until the COTR has inspected and approved the foundation.
- (4) Placement shall be by Method 1.
- (5) Class III compaction shall be used.
- (6) Section 9, Measurement and Payment, of this specification is deleted in its entirety and is replaced as follows:
  - "Payment shall be made at the lump sum price in the contract and such payment shall be considered as full compensation for all material, labor, equipment, tools and other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work as described in this contract".

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# Construction Specification 81—Metal Fabrication and Installation

## 1. Scope

The work consists of furnishing, fabricating, and erecting metalwork, including the metal parts and fasteners of the composite structures.

#### 2. Material

Unless otherwise specified, material shall conform to the requirements of Material Specification 581, Metal. Steel shall be structural quality unless otherwise specified. Castings shall be thoroughly cleaned and subjected to careful inspection before installation. Finished surfaces shall be smooth and true to assure proper fit. Galvanizing shall conform to the requirements of Material Specification 582, Galvanizing.

#### 3. Fabrication

Fabrication of structural steel shall conform to the requirements of *Specification for the Design, Fabrication and Erection of Structural Steel for Buildings (Riveted, Bolted and Arc-Welded Construction)*, American Institute of Steel Construction.

Fabrication of structural aluminum shall conform to the requirements in the *Aluminum Design Manual* available from The Aluminum Association.

#### 4. Erection

The frame of metal structures shall be installed true and plumb. Temporary bracing shall be placed wherever necessary to resist all loads to which the structure may be subjected, including those applied by the installation and operation of equipment. Such bracing shall be left in place as long as may be necessary for safety.

As erection progresses the work shall be securely bolted up, or welded, to resist all dead load, wind, and erection stresses. The contractor shall furnish such installation assisting bolts, nuts, and washers as may be required.

No riveting or welding shall be performed until the structure is stiffened and properly aligned.

Rivets driven in the field shall be heated and driven with the same care as those driven in the shop.

All field welding shall be performed in conformance to the requirements for shop fabrication except those that expressly apply to shop conditions only.

#### 5. Protective coatings

Items specified to be galvanized shall be completely fabricated for field assembly before the application of the zinc coatings. Galvanized items shall not be cut, welded, or drilled after the zinc coating is applied.

Items specified to be painted shall be painted in conformance to the requirements of Construction Specification 82 for the specified paint systems.

## 6. Measurement and payment

**Method 1**—The work is not measured. Payment for metal fabrication and installation is made at the contract lump sum price in the contract. Such payment constitutes full compensation for all labor, equipment, material, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work including connectors and appurtenances, such as rivets, bolts, nuts, pins, studs, washers, hangers, and weld metal.

**Method 2**—The weight of metal installed complete in place shall be determined to the nearest pound. Unless otherwise specified, the weight of metal shall be computed by the method specified in section 3 of the *Code of Standard Practice for Steel Buildings and Bridges,* American Institute of Steel Construction, except that the following unit weights shall also be used, as appropriate, as the basis of computation:

Material	Unit weight (lb/ft³)	
Aluminum alloy	173	
Bronze or copper alloy	536	
Iron, malleable	470	
Iron, wrought	487	

Payment for furnishing, fabricating, and installing metalwork is made at the contract unit price for the specified types of labor, material, equipment, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work.

**Method 3**—The work is not measured. Payment for furnishing, fabricating, and installing each item of metalwork is made at the contract price for that item. Such payment constitutes full compensation for all labor, equipment, material, and all other items necessary and incidental to the completion of the work including connectors and appurtenances, such as rivets, bolts, nuts, pins, studs, washers, hangers, and weld metal.

**All methods**—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment. Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule, is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 7 of this specification.

#### 7. Items of work and construction details

## 7. ITEMS OF WORK AND CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefore are:

- a. Subsidiary Item, Metal Fabrication and Installation, Sheetpile Cap
  - 1) This item shall consist of furnishing, fabricating, and installing all metalwork required to construct the steel sheetpile cap at the steel sheetpile wall to the lines and grades as shown on the drawings.
  - 2) All structural channel, angle and plate steel shall be hot dipped galvanized, have an application of paint Type 8 and paint system F as defined in <u>Construction</u> <u>Specification 82</u> and conform to ASTM A 36, <u>Material Specifications 581</u>, <u>Metal and 582</u>, Galvanizing.
    - All bolts, nuts, washers, and other metal fastening hardware shall be Type 316 stainless steel and conform to Material Specification 581, Metal.
    - All welding shall conform to Material Specifications 581, Metal.
  - 3) All bending radii for ASTM A36 plate steel shall conform to the guidelines as set by the American Institute of Steel Construction.
    - The contractor shall be allowed to utilize a standard channel section in-lieu of a fabricated pile cap.
  - 4) The first paragraph of Section 3, Fabrication, of this specification is deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:
    - Fabrication of structural steel shall conform to the requirements of Section M2, Fabrication, of the "Specifications for Structural Steel Buildings", Manual of Steel Construction, 9th edition, by the American Institute of Steel Construction.
  - 5) At the locations where the ends of two sections of pile cap are joined together, a splice cap shall be utilized. The splice cap shall extend a minimum of 12 inches on either side of the center of the joint.
  - 6) The contractor shall provide 4 sets of shop drawings for all metal fabrication to the CO for approval, 4 days prior to fabrication.
  - 7) No separate payment shall be made for this item. Compensation for this item is to be included in <u>Bid Item 4</u>, <u>Steel Sheetpile</u>, to which it is associated.

# Construction Specification 82—Painting Metalwork

# 1. Scope

The work consists of cleaning metal surfaces and applying paints and protective coatings.

#### 2. Paint

For the purpose of this specification, paints and coatings shall be designated by types as defined below.

Materials for systems requiring two or more coats shall be supplied by the same manufacturer.

Unless otherwise specified and before application, the contractor shall furnish in writing to the engineer for approval a plan outlining procedures proposed for painting metalwork and a list of material including name of manufacturer, pertinent product identification names and numbers, and product data sheets. Data shall reflect the requirements set forth in this section.

- **Type 1 Alkyd primer.** Alkyd based, rust inhibitive primer shall be lead and chromate free. Primer shall have a minimum of 54 percent solids, by volume. Color availability shall be red, gray, and white. Primer shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 2 to 3 mils dry-film thickness in one coat.
- *Type 2 Alkyd enamel (gloss).* Alkyd based enamel shall be lead free. It shall have a minimum of 49 percent solids, by volume. Alkyd enamel shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 2 to 3 mils dry-film thickness in one coat. Finish shall be gloss.
- *Type 3 Alkyd enamel (semigloss).* Alkyd based enamel shall be lead free. It shall have a minimum of 55 percent solids, by volume. Alkyd enamel shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 2 to 3 mils dryfilm thickness in one coat. Finish shall be semigloss.
- **Type 4 Epoxy polyamide primer.** Epoxy polyamide primer shall be lead and chromate free. It shall have a minimum of 56 percent solids, by volume. Epoxy primer shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 4 to 6 mils dry-film thickness in one coat. Color availability shall be red, gray, and white. Epoxy primer shall conform to AWWA Standard C 210 and AWWA Standard D 102.
- *Type 5 Epoxy polyamide (intermediate or finish).* Epoxy polyamide shall be lead free. It shall have a minimum of 56 percent solids, by volume. Epoxy polyamide shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 4 to 6 mils dry-film thickness in one coat. Finish shall be semigloss. Epoxy finish shall conform to AWWA C 210 and AWWA D 102.
- **Type 6 Acrylic polyurethane (gloss).** Acrylic polyurethane shall be lead free. It shall have a minimum of 74 percent solids, by volume. Polyurethane shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 3 to 5 mils dry-film thickness in one coat. Finish shall be gloss.
- *Type 7 Acrylic polyurethane (semigloss).* Acrylic polyurethane shall be lead free. It shall have a minimum of 58 percent solids, by volume. Polyurethane shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 3 to 5 mils dry-film thickness in one coat. Finish shall be semigloss.
- **Type 8 Vinyl acid wash treatment.** Pretreatment primer for galvanized and nonferrous metal. Pretreatment primer shall have a minimum of 8 percent solids, by volume. The applied dry-film thickness of pretreatment primer shall not exceed 0.5 mil. Steel primed with pretreatment primer shall be topcoated within 6 to 8 hours in humid conditions.

**Type 9** - **Single package moisture cured urethane primer.** Urethane primer shall have a minimum of 50 percent solids, by volume. Primer shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 2 to 3 mils dry-film thickness in one coat. Color shall be metallic aluminum.

**Type 10 - Coal tar epoxy.** Coal tar epoxy shall have a minimum of 75 percent solids, by volume, and conform to the requirements of NRCS Material Specification 583 Coal Tar Epoxy Paint (Steel Structures Paint Council PS No. 16, Type I). Coal tar epoxy shall be able to be applied satisfactory at 8 to 15 mils dry-film thickness in one coat.

# 3. Tinting

Tinting shall not be performed in the field unless otherwise specified.

# 4. Surface preparation

Surfaces to be painted shall be thoroughly cleaned before the application of paint or coatings. Surface preparations required by this specification are as designated by SSPC (Steel Structures Painting Council) and are summarized by the methods listed in this section.

**Method 1**—Near white blast (SSPC-SP10). All surfaces to be coated shall be prepared by removing all grease and oil using steam cleaning or solvent cleaning methods per method 5. After degreasing is completed, sand or grit blasting shall be performed to remove all dirt, rust, mill scale, and other foreign material or residue. The cleaned, finished surface shall be a minimum of 95 percent free of all visible foreign material or residue.

**Method 2**—Commercial blast (SSPC-SP6). All surfaces to be coated shall be prepared by removing all grease and oil using steam cleaning or solvent cleaning methods per method 5. After degreasing is completed, sand or grit blasting shall be performed to remove all dirt, rust, mill scale, or other foreign material or residue. The cleaned, finished surface shall be a minimum of 67 percent free of all visible foreign material or residue.

**Method 3**—Bush-off blast cleaning (SSPC-SP7). All surfaces to be coated shall be prepared by removing all grease and oil using steam cleaning or solvent cleaning methods per method 5. After degreasing is completed, sand or grit blasting shall be performed to remove dirt, rust, mill scale, or other foreign material or residue. Mill scale, rust, and paint are considered tightly adherent if they cannot be removed by lifting with a dull putty knife.

**Method 4**—Hand tool cleaning (SSPC-SP2). All surfaces to be coated shall be prepared by removing all oil or grease using steam cleaning or solvent cleaning methods per method 5. After degreasing is completed, nonpower handtools shall be used to remove loose, detrimental foreign material. Adherent mill scale, rust, and paint need not be removed.

**Method 5**—Solvent cleaning (SSPC-SP1). Surfaces to be coated shall be prepared by removing all visible oil, grease, soil, drawing and cutting compounds, and other soluble contaminants from surfaces with solvents or commercial cleaners using various methods of cleaning, such as wiping, dipping, steam cleaning, or vapor degreasing.

#### 5. Paint systems

For the purposes of this specification, systems of painting and coating metalwork are designated as defined in this section.

**Paint system A**—Consists of the application of one primer coat of type 1 and two or more coats of type 2 (gloss) or type 3 (semigloss) to provide a minimum dry-film thickness of 6 mils.

**Paint system B**—Consists of the application of one primer coat of type 9 and two or more coats of type 2 (gloss) or type 3 (semigloss) to provide a minimum dry-film thickness of 6 mils.

**Paint system C**—Consists of the application of one coat of type 4 and one or more coats of type 5 to provide a minimum dry-film thickness of 8 mils.

**Paint system D**—Consists of the application of one coat of type 4 primer, one coat of type 5, and one coat of type 6 (gloss) or type 7 (semigloss) to provide a minimum dry-film thickness of 11 mils.

**Paint system E**—Consists of the application of one coat of type 9 and one coat of type 6 (gloss) or type 7 (semigloss) to provide a minimum dry-film thickness of 5 mils.

**Paint system F**—Consists of the application of two coats of type 10 at a dry-film thickness of 8 mils. per coat. Total system shall provide a minimum dry-film thickness of 16 mils.

**Paint system G**—Consists of the application of two coats of type 4 and two coats of type 9 paint. Total system shall provide a minimum dry-film thickness of 14 mils.

# 6. Application of paint

Surfaces shall be painted immediately after preparation or within the same day as prepared with a minimum of one coat of the primer type specified. Remaining surfaces not required to be painted shall be protected against contamination and damage during the cleaning and painting operation.

Paints shall be thoroughly mixed immediately before application.

After erection or installation of the metalwork, all damage to shop-applied coating shall be repaired and all bolts, nuts, welds, and field rivet heads shall be cleaned and painted with one coat of the specified priming paint.

Initial priming coats shall be applied by brush except on surfaces accessible only to spray equipment. All other coats may be applied by brush or spray. Each coat shall be applied in such a manner to produce a paint film of uniform thickness with a rate of coverage within the guidelines and limits recommended by the paint manufacturer and as outlined in section 2 of this specification.

The drying time between coats shall be as prescribed by the paint manufacturer, but not less than that required for the paint film to thoroughly dry. The elapsed time between coats in paint system F shall not exceed 24 hours. If for any reason the critical recoat time is exceeded, the coated surface shall be treated with the manufacturer's recommended tackifier solvent or brush blasted to roughen the surface.

The finished surface of each coat shall be free from runs, drops, ridges, laps, or excessive brushmarks and shall present no variation in color, texture, and finish. The surface of each dried coat shall be cleaned as necessary before application of the next coat.

# 7. Atmospheric conditions

Paint application shall not be performed when the temperature of the item to be painted or the surrounding air is less than 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Painting shall be performed only when the humidity and temperature of the surrounding air and the temperature of the metal surfaces are such that evaporation rather than condensation results during the time required for application and drying. The surface shall be dry and a minimum of 5 degrees Fahrenheit above the dew point. Surfaces protected from adverse atmospheric conditions by special cover, heating, or ventilation shall remain so protected until the paint is thoroughly dry.

#### 8. Tests

Dry-film thickness on ferrous metal shall be determined by the use of a nondestructive magnetic instrument, such as an Elcometer or Mikrotest gauge. Instruments shall have been calibrated within 1 month before use. Film thickness on nonferrous metal shall be determined with film gauges during the application process. Systems with film thickness less than specified shall be brought into conformance by the application of one or more additional coats of the specified material.

# 9. Payment

For items of work for which lump sum prices are established in the contract, payment is made as the work proceeds, but after presentation of invoices by the contractor supporting actual related costs and evidence of the charges of suppliers, subcontractors, and others for supplies furnished and work completed. If the total of such payments is less than the lump sum contract price for this item, the unpaid balance is included in the next appropriate contract payment. Payment of the lump sum contract price constitutes full compensation for completion of the work.

Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule, is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 10 of this specification.

#### 10. Items of work and construction details

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Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefore are:

- a. Subsidiary Item, Cleaning and Painting Metalwork
  - 1) This item shall consist of furnishing all paint, equipment, and materials necessary to clean and paint metal work at the steel sheetpile wall.
  - 2) The steel sheet piling shall be painted on all sides for the upper twenty-five (25) feet of the piling. The unpainted ends of the sheet piling will be the embedment leading edge.
  - 3) The pile cap and clips shall be painted on all sides.
  - 4) All galvanized (pile cap and clips) surfaces to be painted shall be treated with paint Type 8. Surface preparation of un-galvanized (sheetpile) surfaces shall be by Method 3.
  - 5) Paint system F shall be used.
  - 6) No separate payment shall be made for this item. Compensation for this item is to be included in <u>Bid Item 4</u>, <u>Steel Sheetpile</u>, to which it is associated.

# **Construction Specification 95—Geotextile**

## 1. Scope

This work consists of furnishing all material, equipment, and labor necessary for the installation of geotextiles.

# 2. Quality

Geotextiles shall conform to the requirements of Material Specification 592 and this specification.

# 3. Storage

Before use, the geotextile shall be stored in a clean, dry location out of direct sunlight, not subject to extremes of either hot or cold temperatures, and with the manufacturer's protective cover undisturbed. Receiving, storage, and handling at the job site shall be in accordance with the requirements listed in ASTM D 4873.

# 4. Surface preparation

The surface on which the geotextile is to be placed shall be graded to the neat lines and grades as shown on the drawings. It shall be reasonably smooth and free of loose rock and clods, holes, depressions, projections, muddy conditions, and standing or flowing water (unless otherwise specified in section 7 of this specification).

#### 5. Placement

Before the geotextile is placed, the soil surface will be reviewed for quality assurance of the design and construction. The geotextile shall be placed on the approved prepared surface at the locations and in accordance with the details shown on the drawings and specified in section 7 of this specification. It shall be unrolled along the placement area and loosely laid, without stretching, in such a manner that it conforms to the surface irregularities when material or gabions are placed on or against it. The geotextile may be folded and overlapped to permit proper placement in designated area(s).

Method 1—The geotextile shall be joined by machine sewing using thread material meeting the chemical requirements for the geotextile fibers or yarn. The sewn overlap shall be 6 inches, and the sewing shall consist of two parallel stitched rows at a spacing of about 1 inch and shall not cross (except for any required re-stitching). The stitching shall be a lock-type stitch. Each row of stitching shall be located a minimum of 2 inches from the geotextile edge. The seam type and sewing machine to be used shall produce a seam strength, in the specified geotextile, that provides a minimum of 90 percent of the tensile strength in the weakest principal direction of the geotextile being used, when tested in accordance with ASTM D 4884. The seams may be factory or field sewn.

The geotextile shall be temporarily secured during placement of overlying material to prevent slippage, folding, wrinkling, or other displacement of the geotextile. Unless otherwise specified, methods of securing shall not cause punctures, tears, or other openings to be formed in the geotextile.

Method 2—The geotextile shall be joined by overlapping a minimum of 18 inches (unless

otherwise specified) and secured against the underlying foundation material. Securing pins, approved and provided by the geotextile manufacturer, shall be placed along the edge of the panel or roll material to adequately hold it in place during installation. Pins shall be steel or fiberglass formed as a U, L, or T shape or contain "ears" to prevent total penetration through the geotextile. Steel washers shall be provided on all but the U-shaped pins. The upstream or upslope geotextile shall overlap the abutting downslope geotextile. At vertical laps, securing pins shall be inserted through the bottom layers along a line through approximately the mid-point of the overlap. At horizontal laps and across slope labs, securing shall be inserted through the bottom layer only. Securing pins shall be placed along a line about 2 inches in from the edge of the placed geotextile at intervals not to exceed 12 feet unless otherwise specified. Additional pins shall be installed as necessary and where appropriate to prevent any undue slippage or movement of the geotextile. The use of securing pins will be held to the minimum necessary. Pins are to remain in place unless otherwise specified.

Should the geotextile be torn or punctured, or the overlaps or sewn joint disturbed, as evidenced by visible geotextile damage, subgrade pumping, intrusion, or grade distortion, the backfill around the damaged or displaced area shall be removed and restored to the original approved condition. The repair shall consist of a patch of the same type of geotextile being used and overlaying the existing geotextile. When the geotextile seams are required to be sewn, the overlay patch shall extend a minimum of 1 foot beyond the edge of any damaged area and joined by sewing as required for the original geotextile except that the sewing shall be a minimum of 6 inches from the edge of the damaged geotextile. Geotextile panels joined by overlap shall have the patch extend a minimum of 2 feet from the edge of any damaged area.

Geotextile shall be placed in accordance with the following applicable specification according to the use indicated in section 7:

Slope protection—The geotextile shall not be placed until it can be anchored and protected with the specified covering within 48 hours or protected from exposure to ultraviolet light. In no case shall material be dropped on uncovered geotextile from a height of more than 3 feet.

Subsurface drains—The geotextile shall not be placed until drainfill or other material can be used to provide cover within the same working day. Drainfill material shall be placed in a manner that prevents damage to the geotextile. In no case shall material be dropped on uncovered geotextile from a height of more than 5 feet.

Road stabilization—The geotextile shall be unrolled in a direction parallel to the roadway centerline in a loose manner permitting conformation to the surface irregularities when the roadway fill material is placed on its surface. In no case shall material be dropped on uncovered geotextile from a height of more than 5 feet. Unless otherwise specified, the minimum overlap of geotextile panels joined without sewing shall be 24 inches. The geotextile may be temporarily secured with pins recommended or provided by the manufacturer, but they shall be removed before the permanent covering material is placed.

# 6. Measurement and payment

**Method 1**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, the quantity of geotextile for each type placed within the specified limits is determined to the nearest

specified unit by measurements of the covered surfaces only, disregarding that required for anchorage, seams, and overlaps. Payment is made at the contract unit price. Such payment constitutes full compensation for the completion of the work.

**Method 2**—For items of work for which specific unit prices are established in the contract, the quantity of geotextile for each type placed with the specified limits is determined to the nearest specified unit by computing the area of the actual roll size or partial roll size installed. The computed area will include the amount required for overlap, seams, and anchorage as specified. Payment is made at the contract unit price. Such payment constitutes full compensation for the completion of the work.

**Method 3**—For items of work for which specific lump sum prices are established in the contract, the quantity of geotextile is not measured for payment. Payment for geotextiles is made at the contract lump sum price and constitutes full compensation for the completion of the work.

**All methods**—The following provisions apply to all methods of measurement and payment. Compensation for any item of work described in the contract, but not listed in the bid schedule, is included in the payment for the item of work to which it is made subsidiary. Such items and the items to which they are made subsidiary are identified in section 7 of this specification.

# 7. Items of work and construction details (See next page.)

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Items of work to be performed in conformance with this specification and the construction details therefor are:

#### a. Bid Item 8, Geotextile

- (1) This item shall consist of furnishing and placing geotextile under and over the rockfill at the location stated on the drawings.
- (2) The geotextile shall be a non-woven Class I Geotextile and comply with Table 592-2 of <u>Material Specification 592</u>.
- (3) The foundation shall be inspected and approved by the COTR prior to placement of the geotextile.
- (4) Placement shall be by Method 2 with the following additions:
  - "The pinning interval shall not exceed 6 feet and the securing pins shall be a minimum of 12 inches in length. Overlaps shall be made in the direction of the flow or in a manner to prevent the stream flow from getting under the geotextile. Geotextile placed in the wet (under normal water level conditions) shall be secured by the placement of the rockfill. When the contractor selects to place the geotextile in the wet, he shall provide sufficient geotextile to assure complete coverage of the area specified in paragraph (1). Any excess geotextile shall be cut off and disposed of at an approved landfill". The use of the geotextile shall be for "Slope protection".
- (5) Payment shall be by Method 3.

# **Material Specification 511—Steel Piles**

# 1. Scope

The specification covers the type and quality of steel piles.

# 2. Bearing piles

Steel bearing piles shall be structural steel H-piles conforming to the requirements of ASTM A 36.

The required length of pile may be fabricated by butt-welding shorter lengths of pile stock. Unless otherwise specified, the cross-section of each pile shall be constant throughout its length. The axis of the pile shall be straight, and the number of welded joints in the length of the pile shall be as few as practicable. Pieces below the top piece shall have a minimum length of 10 feet.

# 3. Sheet piles

Steel sheet piles shall conform to the requirements of ASTM A 328, A 572, or A 690.

Fabrication of piles from shorter lengths of pile stock is not permitted.

# **Material Specification 581—Metal**

# 1. Scope

This specification covers the quality of steel and aluminum alloys.

#### 2. Structural steel

- Structural steel shall conform to the requirements of ASTM A 36.
- High-strength low-alloy structural steel shall conform to ASTM A 242 or A 588.
- Carbon steel plates of structural quality to be bent, formed, or shaped cold shall conform the ASTM A 283, Grade C.
- Carbon steel sheets of structural quality shall conform to ASTM Standard A 570, Grade 40, or A 611. Grade D.
- Carbon steel strip of structural quality shall conform to ASTM Standard A 570, Grade 36.

# 3. Commercial or merchant quality steel

Commercial or merchant quality steel shall conform to the requirements of the applicable ASTM listed below:

Product	ASTM standards
Carbon steel bars	A 575, Grade M 1015
	to Grade M 1031
Carbon steel sheets	A 569
Carbon steel strips	A 569
Zinc-coated carbon steel sheet	S A 653 or A 924

#### 4. Aluminum allov

Aluminum alloy products shall conform to the requirements of the applicable ASTM standard listed below. Unless otherwise specified, alloy 6061-T6 shall be used.

Product	ASTM standard
Standard structural shape	В 308
Extruded structural pipe and tube	B 429
Extruded bars, rods, shapes, and tubes	B 221
Drawn seamless tubes	B 210
Rolled or cold-finished bars, rods, and wire	B 211
Sheet and plate	B 209

#### 5. Bolts

Steel bolts shall conform to the requirements of ASTM Standard A 307. If high-strength bolts are specified, they shall conform to the requirements of ASTM A 325.

When galvanized or zinc-coated bolts are specified, the zinc coating shall conform to the requirements of ASTM Standard A 153 except that bolts 0.5 inch or less in diameter may be coated with electro-deposited zinc or cadmium coating conforming to the requirements of ASTM Standard B 633, Service Condition SC 3, or ASTM A 165, Type TS, unless otherwise specified.

#### 6. Rivets

NRCS 2/02 581-1 Unless otherwise specified, steel rivets shall conform to the requirements of ASTM Specification A 502, Grade 1. Unless otherwise specified, aluminum alloy rivets shall be Alloy 606-T6 conforming to the requirements of ASTM Standard B 316.

# 7. Welding electrodes

Steel welding electrodes shall conform to the requirements of American Welding Society Specification AWS A5.1, "Specification for Mild Steel Covered Arc-Welding Electrodes," except that they shall be uniformly and heavily coated (not washed) and shall be of such a nature that the coating does not chip or peel while being used with the maximum amperage specified by the manufacturer.

Aluminum welding electrodes shall conform to the requirements of American Welding Society Specification AWS A5.10, "Specification for Aluminum and Aluminum-Alloy Welding Rods and Bare Electrodes."

# Material Specification 582—Galvanizing

# 1. Scope

This specification covers the quality of zinc coatings applied to iron and steel productions.

# 2. Quality

Zinc coatings shall conform to the requirements of ASTM A 123 for Zinc (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products or as otherwise specified in the items of work and construction details of the Construction Specification.

ASTM A 123 covers both fabricated and nonfabricated products; e.g., assembled steel products, structural steel fabrications, large tubes already bent or welded before galvanizing, and wire work fabricated from noncoated steel wire. It also covers steel forgings and iron castings incorporated into pieces fabricated before galvanizing or which are too large to be centrifuged (or otherwise handled to remove excess galvanizing bath metal).

Items to be centrifuged or otherwise handled to remove excess zinc shall meet the requirements of ASTM A 153, except bolts, screws, and other fasteners 0.5 inch or less in diameter may be coated with electro-deposited zinc or cadmium coating conforming to the requirements of ASTM B 766, coating thickness Class 5, Type III, or ASTM B 633, Service Condition SC-3, unless otherwise specified.

# **Material Specification 592—Geotextile**

# 1. Scope

This specification covers the quality of geotextiles.

# 2. General requirements

Fibers (threads and yarns) used in the manufacture of geotextile shall consist of synthetic polymers composed of a minimum of 85 percent by weight polypropylenes, polyesters, polyamides, polyethylene, polyolefins, or polyvinylidene-chlorides. They shall be formed into a stable network of filaments or yarns retaining dimensional stability relative to each other. The geo-textile shall be free of defects and conform to the physical requirements in tables 592–1 and 592–2. The geotextile shall be free of any chemical treatment or coating that significantly reduces its porosity. Fibers shall contain stabilizers and/or inhibitors to enhance resistance to ultraviolet light.

Thread used for factory or field sewing shall be of contrasting color to the fabric and made of high strength polypropylene, polyester, or polyamide thread. Thread shall be as resistant to ultraviolet light as the geotextile being sewn.

#### 3. Classification

Geotextiles shall be classified based on the method used to place the threads or yarns forming the fabric. The geotextiles will be grouped into woven and nonwoven types.

**Woven**—Fabrics formed by the uniform and regular interweaving of the threads or yarns in two directions. Woven fabrics shall be manufactured from monofilament yarn formed into a uniform pattern with distinct and measurable openings, retaining their position relative to each other. The edges of fabric shall be selvedged or otherwise finished to prevent the outer yarn from unraveling.

**Nonwoven**—Fabrics formed by a random placement of threads in a mat and bonded by heat-bonding, resin-bonding, or needle punching. Nonwoven fabrics shall be manufactured from individual fibers formed into a random pattern with distinct, but variable small openings, retaining their position relative to each other when bonded by needle punching, heat, or resin bonding. The use of nonwovens other than the needle punched geotextiles is somewhat restricted (see note 3 of table 592–2).

#### 4. Sampling and testing

The geotextile shall meet the specified requirements (table 592–1 or 592–2) for the product style shown on the label. Product properties as listed in the latest edition of the "Specifiers Guide," Geotechnical Fabrics Report, (Industrial Fabrics Association International, 1801 County Road BW, Roseville, MN 55113-4061) and that represent minimum average roll values, are acceptable documentation that the product style meets the requirements of these specifications.

For products that do not appear in the above directory or do not have minimum average roll values listed, typical test data from the identified production run of the geotextile will be required for each of the specified tests (tables 592–1 or 592–2) as covered under clause AGAR 452.236-76.

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# 5. Shipping and storage

The geotextile shall be shipped/transported in rolls wrapped with a cover for protection from moisture, dust, dirt, debris, and ultraviolet light. The cover shall be maintained undisturbed to the maximum extend possible before placement.

Each roll of geotextile shall be labeled or tagged to clearly identify the brand, class, and the individual production run in accordance with ASTM D 4873.

**Table 592–1** Requirements for woven geotextiles

Property	Test method	Class I	Class II & III	Class IV
Tensile strength (pounds) 1/	ASTM D 4632 grab test	200 minimum in any principal direction	120 minimum in any principal direction	180 minimum in any principal direction
Elongation at failure (percent) 1/	ASTM D 4632 grab test	<50	<50	<50
Puncture (pounds) 1/	ASTM D 4833	90 minimum	60 minimum	60 minimum
Ultraviolet light (% residual tensile strength)	ASTM D 4355 150-hr exposure	70 minimum	70 minimum	70 minimum
Apparent opening size (AOS)	ASTM D 4751	As specified, but no smaller than 0.212 mm (#70) <sup>2</sup>	As specified, but no smaller than 0.212 mm (#70) <sup>2</sup>	As specified, but no smaller than 0.212 mm (#70) <sup>2</sup>
Percent open area (percent)	CWO-02215-86	4.0 minimum	4.0 minimum	1.0 minimum
Permittivity sec-1	ASTM D 4491	0.10 minimum	0.10 minimum	0.10 minimum

<sup>1/</sup> Minimum average roll value (weakest principal direction).

Note: CWO is a USACE reference.

<sup>2/</sup> U.S. standard sieve size.

 Table 592–2
 Requirements for nonwoven geotextiles

Property	Test method	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV 3/
Tensile strength (lb) 1/	ASTM D 4632 grab test	180 minimum	120 minimum	90 minimum	115 minimum
Elongation at failure(%) ½	ASTM D 4632	≥50	≥50	≥50	≥50
Puncture (pounds)	ASTM D 4833	80 minimum	60 minimum	40 minimum	40 minimum
Ultraviolet light (% residual tensile strength)	ASTM D 4355 150-hr exposure	70 minimum	70 minimum	70 minimum	70 minimum
Apparent opening size (AOS)	ASTM D 4751	As specified max. #40 2/	As specified max. #40 <sup>2</sup> /	As specified max. #40 <sup>2</sup>	As specified max. #40 2 <sup>1</sup>
Permittivity sec-1	ASTM D 4491	0.70 minimum	0.70 minimum	0.70 minimum	0.10 minimum

<sup>1/</sup> Minimum average roll value (weakest principal direction).

<sup>2/</sup> U.S. standard sieve size.

<sup>3/</sup> Heat-bonded or resin-bonded geotextile may be used for classes III and IV. They are particularly well suited to class IV. Needle-punched geotextiles are required for all other classes.